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Living Group, Fraternity Rush Begins Saturday for Class of '09

By Zachary Ozer
CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

Tomorrow marks the beginning of rush for fraternities and independent living groups, starting with the Greek Griller at 1 p.m. on Killian Court.

"There's been a change in attitude; it's different from before," said Interfraternity Council President Christopher P. Child '06. "Fraternities are eager to volunteer to get students acclimatized to school. They want to have a positive impact."

Fraternity members helped fresh-

men move into their rooms on Thursday, and assisted with a parent's lunch earlier in the week.

David N. Rogers, assistant dean and director of fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups, echoed Child's sentiments. "It has nothing to do with their letters. Fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups are doing what they can to make the freshmen feel it's not so overwhelming."

While house members are working to reduce the strain on students, organizers have tried to schedule events to minimize the strain on up-

perclassmen. "Three years ago, rush began three weeks into the term and lasted two weeks. That's miserable for upperclassmen," Child said.

Houses' numbers recovering

Beginning in the fall of 2002, fraternities were faced with a mounting financial crisis. With all first year students required to live on campus, houses found themselves with diminished income, but with the same operational cost, and Dean for Student

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Fraternity Rush to Use Clearinghouse Tracking for the First Time Since '96

By Hanhan Wang
STAFF REPORTER

The Clearinghouse, a database tracking the location of fraternity rush participants, has returned from an eight-year absence.

"It's an experiment," said Christopher P. Child '06, president of the Interfraternity Council. He said the system was resurrected to help increase the number of freshmen rushing and gather data on the success of rush events. He said that the shorter rush period than in years past, 11 days total this year, helped make the Clearinghouse feasible.

In a successful rush, as many freshmen would visit as many fraternities as possible. The Clearinghouse will allow fraternities to keep track of how much time someone has spent in one place, helping ensure a more equitable distribution of attention.

The system will be closed from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on class days except for Bid Day, when fraternities must immediately enter each new pledge. Upon entering or leaving a fraternity house, the rushee signs in or out, and then brothers of that fraternity enter this information into the central database.

A typical use of the Clearinghouse, called "camping," would happen if fraternity A wants a freshman to attend their rush event and uses the Clearinghouse to find out that he is currently at fraternity B. Brothers from fraternity A would then stop by fraternity B's house and ask to speak to the rushee, at which point the rushee can choose to stay or leave.

System should boost pledges

"I think [the Clearinghouse] will increase pledge numbers be-

cause people will end up finding the right house," said Craig Rothman, rush chairman of the IFC. Finding the right house also would decrease the depledge rate, he said.

The issue of returning to the Clearinghouse was initially raised at an IFC meeting, then approved by the Presidents' Council, Rothman said. The Clearinghouse will help the IFC learn which rush events are most popular. Additionally, it "prevents houses from hogging freshmen," Rothman said.

Reactions to the return of the Clearinghouse are mixed. "It seems a bit odd" to be tracked, said Benjamin P. Gleitzman '09. "I can see why it would be useful," he said. He said he encourages fraternity brothers to maintain a "personal at-

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OMARI STEPHENS—THE TECH

Balloons hang off of a dumpster behind the Johnson Athletic Center after the Athletics Gateway on Wednesday evening, Aug. 31. A similar event, the Activities Midway, will be held this evening between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. in the same location. The Midway will feature representatives from over 200 activities, as well as performances throughout the evening.

More Freshmen Move In Adjustment Lottery

By Marie Y. Thibault
STAFF REPORTER

About 16 percent of the Class of 2009 requested to move out of their temporary dormitory assignments in this year's housing adjustment lottery. A total of 157 of 996 students, applied for a change, with 134, or 85 percent of those entering the adjustment lottery, able to move.

These percentages are higher than last year's, which were a recent low; 12 percent of the Class of 2008 requested housing changes; 83 percent of those were allowed to move.

East Campus was the most popular first choice preference, with 38 students requesting it first, followed

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Use Your ID Wisely: Spend Time Exploring MFA, MoS

By Kathy Lin
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Put on your tourist hats and hit the famous spots this weekend, before you get buried under piles of homework. As a plus, the two major Boston museums are free with an MIT ID card. Here are a few of my favorites:

Kathy Lin '05 shares some of her favorite local destinations in a five-part series this week. Part 5 of 5.

Museum of Science

Science Park
Boston, MA 02114
617-23-2500
<http://www.mos.org/>

Unleash the nerdy side of your inner child at the Museum of Science which, though child-oriented, offers

plenty of MIT-style fun. Admission is free for MIT students; just show your ID to the ticket collector at the front.

Museum of Fine Arts

Avenue of the Arts
465 Huntington Avenue
Boston, Massachusetts 02115
617-267-9300
<http://www.mfa.org/>

Boston was the cradle of the American Revolution, and the MFA houses a fantastic collection of American art, including the famed Copley portrait of Paul Revere. You can also see traditional favorites like Monets and van Goghs, as well as visit the outstanding collection of Egyptian Art.

Admission to the MFA is also free for MIT students; just show your ID at the ticket counter. In addition, students

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OMARI STEPHENS—THE TECH

Naveen M. Krishnan '07 pitches a plastic baseball to Shawn T. Sullivan G in front of the Kappa Sigma fraternity on Thursday, Sept. 1.

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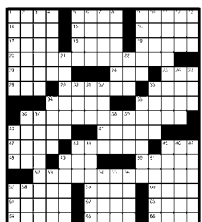
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WORLD & NATION

China Textiles Put EU's Negotiator In the Middle

By Paul Meller
THE NEW YORK TIMES

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM

Peter Mandelson, the European Union's top trade official, continued to grapple Thursday with six nations in his group as well as China in an effort to defuse a dispute over a tide of Chinese textile imports.

Nearly 84 million items of Chinese-made clothing, like pullovers and bras, have been impounded at customs depots around the union after quota limits agreed with China in June quickly hit their ceilings.

But Mandelson, who has said he wants to release the stranded clothing, appeared to be in a tough spot on Thursday. Retailers in Europe say they need the garments to prevent shortages and sharp price increases this fall. But France, Italy, Portugal, Spain, Greece and Poland have large textile producers demanding protection from the surge in Chinese imports. Together they could block any move to free the clothes.

"Goods held at the border must be unblocked, and I hope member states will accept this and I expect them to do so," Mandelson said at a news conference. He added, "I hope I persuaded them."

But there was little sign of that. Italy, one of the union's biggest textile producers and the loudest voice in the fight for protection from inexpensive Chinese clothing, is also the country with the biggest piles of blocked apparel at its customs warehouses. Last week, it had more than nine million Chinese-made pullovers and nearly four million pairs of men's trousers essentially in limbo.

FBI Drops Bullet Test

By Eric Lichtblau
THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON

FBI scientists said on Thursday that they would abandon a controversial bullet-matching technique that had been used in thousands of investigations.

The FBI said it still had confidence in the scientific reliability of the technique, which is known as bullet lead analysis and analyzes the chemical composition of a bullet. But in light of criticism of how the results were interpreted in court, the FBI said it would stop conducting the tests.

The bureau's laboratory in Quantico, Va., is the only one in the country that performs the analysis, an expensive process that seeks to determine how a particular bullet found at a crime scene compares with other bullets in the possession of a suspect.

A major study last year by the National Research Council found that bureau's examiners had sometimes overstated the test results in concluding that a bullet had come from a certain box or batch of ammunition.

Israel and Pakistan Foreign Ministers Meet

By Steven Erlanger and Salman Masood
THE NEW YORK TIMES

JERUSALEM

The foreign ministers of Israel and Pakistan met publicly for the first time on Thursday, a diplomatic breakthrough brokered by Turkey that appeared to be the first payoff for the Israeli pullout from the occupied Gaza Strip.

A jubilant Silvan Shalom, the Israeli foreign minister, called the meeting at an Istanbul hotel "historic" and "a huge breakthrough."

Shalom said: "This is the time for all Muslim and Arab countries to reconsider their relations with Israel. We think it will be a very positive signal to Israeli and Palestinian public opinion that there are some fruits from this withdrawal from Gaza."

Chaos Erupts in New Orleans As 20,000 Await Evacuation

By Ralph Blumenthal and Maria Newman
THE NEW YORK TIMES

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

This storm-ravaged city was increasingly engulfed in chaos Thursday as looters marauded, bodies floated untouched in stagnant floodwaters, and food and water supplies dwindled for thousands of trapped, desperate residents who had not yet managed to find a way out to Texas, where shelter, supplies and order greeted a trickle of evacuees.

They left this devastated city of sorrow and anger by bus, by pilloined vehicles and any other way they could find, and overwhelmed rescue officials said that they were working to find more shelters to receive them, in any state or any city that would provide them.

The White House announced more steps to assist the increasingly taxed local authorities, and said President Bush would tour the region on Friday. An aide acknowledged that the administration was aware of the rising level of rage among people feeling abandoned amid the carnage and destruction wrought by Hurricane Katrina on Monday.

"I can understand how frustrated people are," the presidential spokesman, Scott McClellan, said in Washington. "It is a major catastrophe."

The secretary of homeland security, Michael Chertoff, said the scope of the disaster was on a scale that Americans were accustomed to seeing only beyond their shores. "Ultimately, we're talking about the displacement of hundreds of thousands of people, and that will be a challenge in this country on par with some of the tragedies that we've seen overseas," he said, adding that displaced people in hotels, motels, shelters or with relatives would receive rental assistance and other aid to help them through the next weeks and months.

With New Orleans 80 percent under water, officials are just beginning the process of moving 20,000 or so refugees overflowing from the Superdome to Houston, even as other residents in the city were still being rescued from their water-logged neighborhoods. With few other places to turn, thousands of people have been gathering at the New Orleans Convention Center, where no authority appeared to be in charge to

provide food, water, medical care or even law enforcement.

National Guard troops were moving into the city to try to impose order amid increasing mayhem, which was hampering the rescue and recovery process. There were numerous reports — and rumors — of fights and disorder in the streets, worsened by unreliable communications. But there was no doubt that people were becoming more desperate as food and clean water ran out.

Given the enormity of the disaster, chaos has ruled much of the rescue effort from the beginning, a phenomenon acknowledged by Mike Brown, the operations chief for the Federal Emergency Management Agency, who likened the process to "the fog of war."

As survivors struggled with a disaster that left estimated damage of up to \$25 billion, a gargantuan relief effort began. Chertoff, whose agency, the Department of Homeland Security, is heading the federal relief effort, said Thursday morning that the recovery would take months, if not longer. "We know that we have a long and challenging road ahead of us," he said.

Post-Katrina Gas Price Spikes Unlikely to Affect Travel Plans

By Micheline Maynard and Christopher Elliott
THE NEW YORK TIMES

The Labor Day holiday offers the last chance for a summer fling, and there is every sign that millions of travelers will take to the highways and the skies this weekend.

But soaring gasoline prices in the wake of Hurricane Katrina and fears over supplies of gasoline are causing travelers to calculate how much the trip will cost by car, whether it is cheaper to fly and how easy it will be to fill up along the way.

A few travelers are canceling their Labor Day trips, while others are reconsidering the vacations they plan to take this fall. That is bad news for innkeepers, hotel chains, rental car companies and airlines, for whom the fall is traditionally a slow season until Thanksgiving arrives.

A drop in business among price-

conscious travelers will spell trouble for an industry that was finally recovering from the plunge in travel after the September 2001 attacks. And it is an even bigger worry for the struggling airline industry, faced with the possibility of dwindling fuel supplies in weeks to come, coupled with the need to pass along the significantly higher cost of jet fuel.

This weekend, at least, plenty of people are on the highways. Labor Day weekend is primarily a driving holiday, albeit less so than other big summer weekends. About 28.8 million travelers will be on the road this weekend, according to the American Automobile Association, while about four million people will fly.

The number of air travelers and motorists are both up slightly from 2004, said Montill Williams, a spokesman for AAA. He said 30 million drivers are on the roads dur-

ing the Thanksgiving holiday period, the busiest time of the year for car travel.

This year there is a common concern among motorists: the spiraling cost of fuel.

"Everybody's thinking about gas," said John Frenaye, the director of business development at the Capital Travel Center, a travel agency based in Annapolis, Md. "When's it going to stop?"

Faced with the cost of filling up the car, paying for a hotel room and meals for the weekend, he said, "I wouldn't be surprised if people canceled their trips."

In fact, the 11-room Inn at New Berlin, Pa., has already seen three sets of guests cancel reservations for Friday, including a couple from North Carolina who called off their trip because of high gas prices, the inn's owner, Nancy Showers, said Thursday.

WEATHER

Hard to Beat

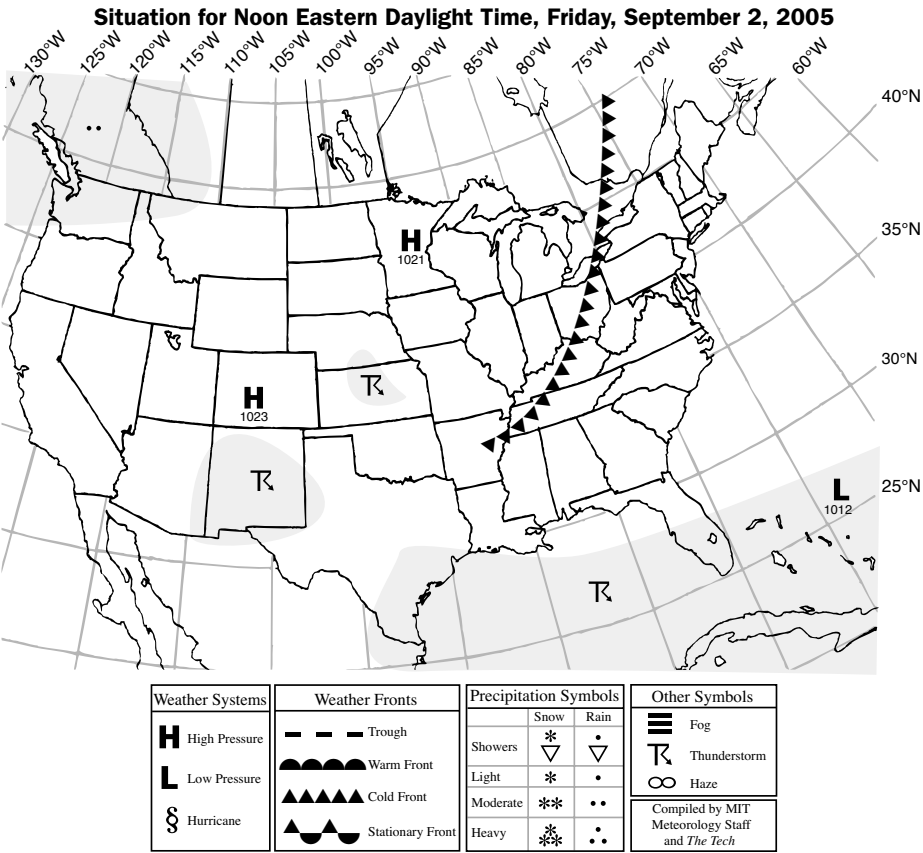
By Brian H. Tang
STAFF METEOROLOGIST

The best weather in Boston often falls in the month of September. This Labor Day weekend is no exception. A front will move through late tomorrow but will not bring any rain to the campus. It will usher in cooler and less humid weather for the weekend as a strong high pressure system sits on top of us. A weak system will swing by to the north on Sunday, but that will only bring a few clouds. Labor Day itself looks mighty fine, so take this opportunity before the semester begins to explore the city and enjoy the outdoors. Those of you new to the area will quickly find out weekends like this are a rarity in New England.

The peak of the Atlantic hurricane season is nearing, and the Atlantic is teeming with activity currently. Just this morning, a new tropical depression developed. If it strengthens into a tropical storm, its name will be Maria. There is also an area of low pressure that just emerged off Africa. It stands a good chance of strengthening in to the 15th depression of the season. All these areas are far from land and there will be plenty of time to gauge their threat, if any, to the United States.

Extended Forecast:

Today: Sunny with a few afternoon clouds. Light winds. High 86°F (30°C).
Tonight: Clear. Low 62°F (17°C).
Saturday: Mostly sunny and a little cooler. High 81°F (27°C).
Sunday: Mostly sunny in the morning, then scattered afternoon clouds. High 74°F (23°C). Low 61°F (16°C).
Labor Day: Mostly sunny and pleasant. High 73°F (23°C). Low 55°F (13°C).



Liberal Groups Rally Against Roberts' Nomination to Court

By David D. Kirkpatrick
THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON

It was an anxious August for liberal interest groups battling the nomination of Judge John G. Roberts Jr. to the Supreme Court.

In the past week, about 30 groups — including the NAACP, Nara Pro-Choice, the National Organization for Women, and Americans United for Separation of Church and State, as well as Hispanic organizations like the Mexican-American Legal Defense and Education Fund — formally and forcefully called on the Senate to reject Roberts.

But as they scramble to rally grass-roots supporters in the days before the confirmation hearings and the month before the Senate is expected to vote, some opposition groups worried that their efforts had failed to pierce the din of concerns about rising gasoline prices, Iraq and, most recently, the hurricane devastation in New Orleans.

“Now there is this hurricane,” said Eleanor Smeal, president of the Feminist Majority Foundation, who suggested in exasperation Thursday

that the Senate Judiciary Committee should postpone the confirmation hearings, scheduled to begin Tuesday, because the hurricane was distracting attention from debate on the nomination. “This has got to get more visibility,” Smeal said. “We have to do something.”

Hilary Shelton, director of the Washington Bureau of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said he, too, was hoping for more time. “With the White House releasing documents as slowly as it has been doing, we would think that the entire Senate would want to be more circumspect,” he said.

Still, some opponents of the nomination expressed confidence that their criticism of Roberts’ views was registering with Senate Democrats. Ralph Neas, president of People for the American Way, said he was growing increasingly confident that the nomination would be defeated.

“There is growing evidence that the confirmation would move the court dramatically to the right, and that is information that the senators did not have before the end of July,” Neas said. “Our message has

been that these hearings will have a major impact on 2006 and 2008,” Neas said. If Roberts votes against liberal causes, he added, “Democrats are going to be blamed if they were complicit in the confirmation.”

In addition to their main Democratic champions on the committee, Sens. Edward M. Kennedy of Massachusetts and Charles E. Schumer of New York, officials of the liberal groups say they will be watching Sens. Joseph R. Biden Jr. of Delaware and Russell Feingold of Wisconsin, potential Democratic presidential candidates.

The officials say they also expect a vigorous fight from Sen. Dianne Feinstein of California, the panel’s only woman and a major recipient of donations from feminists and supporters of abortion rights.

Last week, Neas said angrily that the Democrats’ caucus had left the impression that Roberts faced little resistance. Later that day, Sen. Patrick J. Leahy of Vermont, the ranking Democrat on the Judiciary Committee, and Kennedy, a committee veteran, each sent a letter stepping up their criticism of Roberts.

Pakistani Leader's Allies Victorious In Elections for Local Government

By Salman Masood
THE NEW YORK TIMES

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN

Allies of Pakistan’s president, Gen. Pervez Musharraf, scored major gains in the first two rounds of local government elections, a development likely to further consolidate Musharraf’s grip on power ahead of the general elections scheduled for 2007, political analysts say.

Candidates supported by the Pakistan Muslim League, a party allied to Musharraf, swept the polls in the first rounds of voting on Aug. 18 and Aug. 25 across Pakistan. The third round, which had been scheduled for Sept. 29, was postponed this week until Oct. 6.

Musharraf last week hailed the electoral success of his supporters as a victory for “moderates and defeat for extremists,” but opposition parties denounced the elections as rigged, and vowed to organize a protest campaign.

At least 40 people were killed and more than 550 wounded in clashes between rival political groups during the first two phases of voting, according to reports in the Pakistan news

media. According to official results, voter turnout was 48.7 percent.

The balloting is part of a new system introduced by Musharraf in 2001. The August voting, held in 110 districts, was for the posts of councilors who will, in the third round, choose district nazims, positions roughly equivalent to mayors in the United States. The success of government-allied candidates so far ensures a majority of nazims will be supporters of Musharraf.

The nazims wield significant power in their districts, and their support could play a decisive role in the 2007 elections when Musharraf is expected to run for president as a civilian. Since coming to power after a coup in 1999, Musharraf has continued as the chief of the country’s powerful military.

The military has ruled Pakistan for more than half of its history, and the periods of civilian government have been tainted with corruption and mismanagement.

“The importance of the local-body elections is significant as they are seen as paving the way for the higher elections putting in place the

local level bigwigs, the little big men who would then deliver,” said Mohammad Waseem, director of the department of international relations at Quaid-e-Azam University in Islamabad.

Controversy surrounded the local elections from the outset. The government had declared that the elections would not be party-based, but political parties openly supported particular candidates anyway.

Furthermore, in many conservative areas of North-West Frontier Province women were not allowed to vote, spurring criticism from human rights activists. Opponents of Musharraf and the Pakistan Muslim League questioned the independence and impartiality of the Election Commission, which was headed by a judge temporarily appointed by the president for the job.

“The credibility of the Election Commission has been seriously undermined,” said Farhatullah Babar, a senator from the opposition Pakistan Peoples’ Party. “If there is one important lesson of the local-body elections, it is the Election Commission must be thoroughly overhauled.”

Al-Jazeera Video Gives Link Between Al-Qaida and July London Bombings

By Alan Cowell
THE NEW YORK TIMES

LONDON

Osama bin Laden’s chief lieutenant praised the July 7 bombings in London in a videotape that also featured a statement from a man who closely resembled one of the bombers. The tape, broadcast on Al-Jazeera, also said al-Qaida would carry out more attacks.

If proved authentic, the tape would either be evidence of a link between al-Qaida and the bombings, or an attempt by the group to associate itself with the attacks after the fact. Officials in Britain and the United States said they were aware of the tape and were investigating it, but could not comment on its authenticity.

The man resembling one of the British-born bombers, Mohammad Sidique Khan, read what Al-Jazeera described as a testament, somewhat like those recorded by Palestinian suicide bombers for broadcast after an attack. Speaking in a Yorkshire accent, he praised “our beloved sheik, Osama bin Laden,” and declared, “We are at war, and I am a soldier

and now you too will taste the reality of this situation.”

The video included what appeared to be a section showing Ayman al-Zawahiri, the second in command of al-Qaida, speaking of “the blessed London battle, which came as a slap to the face of the tyrannical, crusader British arrogance.”

“Like its glorious predecessors in New York, Washington, and Madrid, this blessed battle has transferred the battle to the enemies’ land,” al-Zawahiri said, speaking in Arabic.

The two men did not appear together on the tape.

It was not clear when the tape was recorded or why it took so long to be released. It was broadcast exactly eight weeks after the July 7 attack, in which 56 people died, including the four bombers.

While Scotland Yard said investigators were aware of the tape, the office of Prime Minister Tony Blair declined to comment. An American intelligence official said the Central Intelligence Agency was aware of the tape, and a second official said counterterrorism of-

ficials were particularly interested in the statement made by the man resembling Khan.

Blair has strenuously resisted the idea that the bombings were inspired by Muslim anger at his decision to commit British troops to the Iraq war alongside American forces. In the tape, al-Zawahiri referred specifically to the “inferno of Iraq,” and said Blair was conducting a “crusader war against Islam.”

On July 7 four bombers, including Khan, two other British-born men of Pakistani descent and a Briton of Jamaican ancestry, died in attacks on three subway trains and a red double-decker bus. The attackers all lived in the north of England.

Two weeks later, four more men attacked similar targets but there were no direct casualties. Three of the main July 21 suspects are under arrest in Britain; a fourth awaits extradition hearings in Rome.

Up until now, investigators had leaned towards the theory that the two sets of bombers were local cells operating separately and without a common mastermind.

Doctors Say Taser Caused Heart Fibrillation

By Alex Berenson
THE NEW YORK TIMES

A shock from a Taser stun gun caused a teenager in Chicago to go into ventricular fibrillation, a usually fatal heart disturbance, according to a letter published Thursday in *The New England Journal of Medicine*.

The letter, written by two doctors at Children’s Memorial Hospital in Chicago, appears to be the first medically documented case of ventricular fibrillation caused by a Taser gun. Tasers are pistol-like weapons that fire electrified barbs up to 25 feet, immobilizing people with painful shocks.

Taser International, which makes the guns, has said that Tasers cannot cause fibrillation, a condition in which the heart loses the ability to pump blood. If not immediately reversed, fibrillation causes death within minutes. In the Chicago case, which occurred last February, the teenage crime suspect received immediate medical attention and survived after the police shot him with the Taser.

Dr. Wayne H. Franklin, a pediatric electrophysiologist at Children’s Memorial and one of the letter’s authors, said the teenager would have died if he had not been received immediate care. An electrocardiogram, or heart rhythm monitor, given to the teenager after he was shocked by the Taser proved that he suffered fibrillation, Franklin said.

The case illustrates the risks of Tasers as well as the need for police officers to carry defibrillators, which emit a large electric shock that restores the heart’s rhythm, Franklin said. Police should be aware that Tasers can cause fibrillation, even though the risks may be small, he said.

Japanese Retailer Bids \$1 Billion To Buy Up 7-Eleven

By Martin Fackler
THE NEW YORK TIMES

TOKYO

Japan’s largest retailer, Seven & I Holdings, said Thursday it was offering \$1 billion to buy the 27 percent of 7-Eleven, the ubiquitous convenience store chain, that it does not already own.

The deal is one of the biggest investments by a Japanese company in the United States in recent years, and would make 7-Eleven a fully owned subsidiary of the Japanese company. Founded in Dallas 78 years ago, 7-Eleven pioneered the concept of small grocery stores offering convenient long hours and grew into the largest such company in the world.

Ito-Yokado, now a unit of Seven & I, first bought a controlling stake in 7-Eleven in 1991, a time when Japanese companies were gobbling up American companies and properties. The purchase of a household name in American retailing was widely seen as a symbol of Japan’s economic rise, and what many then thought was America’s decline.

Seven & I itself is a newly created holding company that only began official operations on Thursday. The holding company was formed by the department store chain Ito-Yokado, and also Seven-Eleven Japan and Denny’s Japan, the operators of 7-Eleven stores and Denny’s restaurants in Japan.

Seven & I said on its Web site that it was offering \$32.50 for each share of 7-Eleven, about a 15 percent premium over the shares’ closing price on Wednesday. The announcement sent 7-Eleven shares soaring 22 percent.

Mississippi and Louisiana Students To Attend Schools Out of State

By Karen W. Arenson
THE NEW YORK TIMES

As more offers poured in to take students displaced by Hurricane Katrina, the authorities continued Thursday to assess the damage to the region’s education system.

In Mississippi, state officials said that 271 schools that enrolled nearly 160,000 students — about a third of the state’s total — had been affected, and that many would be closed for weeks or months.

“Katrina has devastated the education community,” Hank M. Bounds, state superintendent of education, said in a statement. “We are aware that we have completely lost some schools and many schools have experienced significant damage.”

Bounds said that his office was still trying to reach school districts to assess the damage, and that schools in neighboring states had expressed interest in adopting schools to provide help. Schools in Texas and elsewhere were offering to take displaced children, he said.

Some colleges and universities shut by the storm began to set up operations in other states. Terry W. Hartle, senior vice president at the American Council on Education, said that Tulane had established a base of operations in Houston, where it had an MBA program, and that Dillard was working on opening an office in Atlanta. Both of those universities are in New Orleans.

Education Law Eased for Failing Chicago Schools

By Sam Dillon
THE NEW YORK TIMES

Moving once again to ease the requirements of the nation’s tough new education law, Secretary of Education Margaret Spellings announced Thursday that she would allow the Chicago Public Schools to run federally financed tutoring programs for students at low-performing schools, despite Chicago’s failure to meet academic goals.

It was the second time in a week that Spellings had extended new flexibility in her enforcement of President Bush’s signature education law, known as No Child Left Behind. Earlier, she had extended a waiver to four Virginia districts allowing them to offer tutoring before they offer their children the chance to transfer out of failing schools.

In the Chicago case, Spellings’ decision means that the city will have access to millions in federal aid to tutor thousands of eligible students who would otherwise go unserved. In Virginia, the waivers will allow children to benefit a year sooner from the tutoring, which has proven far more popular among parents than the option to transfer.

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“I’m off to get our share of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve!”



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Sustaining America's Preeminence In Science and Innovation

Ali Wyne

Nowhere is the edifice of scientific innovation more robust than in the United States. Many who have imparted enduring insights into human understanding of the natural world have studied, completed research, and made epic discoveries while here. Intellectual luminaries such as Albert Einstein, Enrico Fermi, and Edward Teller — all of whom immigrated to this country — have graced, and continue to embellish the American landscape, achieving breakthroughs in virtually every conceivable field of scientific inquiry. Indeed, American institutions and laboratories have historically

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attained influence because of their ability to solicit indigenous as well as foreign talent. Unfortunately, however, while America's preeminence in the domains of science and innovation remains, it is no longer assured. Indeed, international progress now directly challenges our own. It is comforting to believe that this development is fleeting, or, as some have posited, illusory. Unfortunately, however, the available literature on this subject is, with rare exceptions, in agreement; this trend shows little sign of reversing. In May 2004, *The New York Times* concluded that "Foreign advances in basic science now often rival or even exceed America's, apparently with little public awareness of the trend or its implications for jobs, industry, national security or the vigor of the nation's intellectual

and cultural life." The Task Force on the Future of American Innovation issued a similar assessment: *For more than half a century, the United States has led the world in scientific discovery and innovation. It has been a beacon, drawing the best scientists to its educational institutions, industries and laboratories from around the globe. However, in today's rapidly evolving competitive world, the United States can no longer take its supremacy for granted. Nations from Europe to Eastern Asia are on a fast track to pass the United States in scientific excellence and technological innovation.* Specifically, Northern European countries such as Scandinavia and Finland have emerged as some of the most dynamic participants in and forces behind the advancement of information technology, diminishing the United States' ability to attract specialists in knowledge-based industries. Furthermore, East Asian countries such as China, Singapore, and Taiwan pose serious threats to the United States' dominance in nanotechnology and bioinformatics, among other specialized scientific fields. As the international community's progress accelerates, ours appears to be slowing. In 1975, among developed countries, the United States ranked third in the proportion of college students majoring in science and engineering; today, it ranks seventeenth. Furthermore, at the turn of the century, Asian and European universities awarded 2,050,000 degrees in science and engineering; American universities, by contrast, awarded 500,000. Redressing such disparities is a daunting task, because their sources are numerous, complex, and interrelated. Clearly, the United States maintains a perilous degree of dependency on outsiders. Fully, as of 2003, 20 percent of the National Academy of Arts and Sciences' members, and 33 percent of American Nobel Laureates were

foreign-born; furthermore, of this country's scientists and engineers who possess doctorate degrees, nearly 40 percent of them were born outside of the United States. Maintaining a high level of reliance on foreign-born scientists is somewhat sensible if it can be assured that the United States will always be able to attract them, in large numbers. However, such is not the case. Therefore, the leadership of this country must invest significant time and capital into sustaining a continuous flow of international students and research scientists. Because this effort might not be as successful as hoped, they must also actively nurture and recruit indigenous talent. Specifically, they must take aim at our system of secondary education, in which achieving competence in science and technology is scarcely viewed as a meaningful priority. That the quality of the average high school laboratory is so low is ample testament to this fact. The National Research Council issued this sobering judgment: *The typical high school lab is an isolated add-on that lacks clear goals, does not engage students in discussion and fails to illustrate how scientific methods lead to knowledge ... Most of the labs are of such poor quality that they don't follow basic principles of effective science teaching ... Contributing to the problem: teachers who aren't prepared to run labs, state exams that don't measure lab skills, wide disparities in the quality of equipment, and a simple lack of consensus over what "laboratory" means in the school environment.* How are students who might potentially be interested in careers in science and technology to discover their latent passions if the instruction which they receive is of such inferior quality? As the world's leading institute of science and technology, MIT is uniquely capable of and responsible for arresting, or, at the very least, slowing the United States' regression in

scientific and technical innovation. The 2001 Hart-Rudman Commission on National Security properly noted that this decline "pose[s] a greater threat to U.S. national security over the next quarter century than any potential conventional war that we might imagine." I would be remiss to neglect the ways in which MIT has already made significant contributions to averting this threat. Through programs such as the Minority Introduction to Engineering, Entrepreneurship and Science Programs; the Women's Technology Program; and the Research Science Institute, it recruits some of the world's most talented and promising minds to experience the rigor and rewards of professional research. However, what is needed now is an initiative that targets "potential converts": not those individuals already interested in pursuing science and technology, but, rather, students who might become interested were they to receive stimulating and demanding education in these fields. It is this type of effort which MIT should, and, indeed, must pioneer, not only to fulfill its stated mission, but also to ensure that we bequeath to future generations a country whose scientific and technological capabilities are without peer. MIT's administration has already exhibited an admirable desire to address and resolve the urgent issues of our time. (The decision to establish an Energy Research Council readily comes to mind.) The United States' increasingly vulnerable position in the realms of science and innovation certainly qualifies as an urgent imperative. As such, I would like to propose that MIT establish a task force on (i) ensuring the steady flow of international students and scientists to the United States, and on (ii) enhancing the role of science in America's schools. If MIT does spearhead such an effort, doubtless many in the community, both students and faculty, will be as eager as I to help.

Battle of the Music Stores And the Record Companies

The Biggest Losers are the Consumers

W. Victoria Lee

The talented Mr. Steve Jobs has a problem. Major record companies now want to mess with the golden rule of Apple's online music store, iTunes — 99 cents a song. With the renewal of the contract between Apple and record companies rapidly approaching, it is possible that starting next year, depending on its popularity, a song will cost more or less than 99 cents. This is mixed news. People whose iPod playlists imitate those of popular radio stations — beware. Your wallet will be lighter. To the more elderly generation (and those who appreciate oldies and the classics) — prepare to cheer; your choice to steer clear of current trends is about to pay off, literally. Like it or not, the fight for variable price is a bomb that's been ticking. Sooner or later, it's going to explode. Will Mr. Jobs, chief executive of Apple, win this war? Or will the record companies prove victorious? Who are you rooting for? My answer is no one. No matter who prevails, both sides can stand improvements, as well as the digital music industry as a whole. For once, if these Mercedes-driving, billion-dollar-house dwelling moguls can put the customers before their profit, maybe the real profit they are looking for will come rolling in. Despite the recent growth spurt of online music stores, P2P, or peer-to-peer file sharing (a.k.a. illegal downloading) is still the

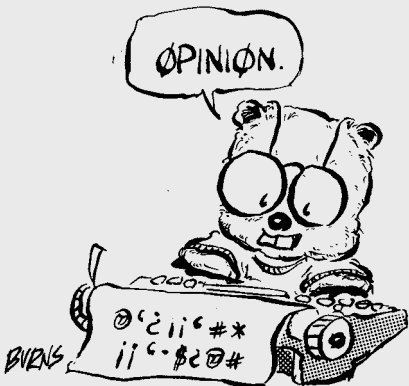
preferred method to acquire music. Yes, the lawsuits scare some people, but according to a report released in June by The NPD Group, for almost 10 songs shared so selflessly, only one song is downloaded legally via an online music store. This fact alone should tell the music stores and record companies that even the status quo of 99 cents per song is still too high. And they are talking about raising the price? It seems like they want to encourage more musical altruism. Although they are numerous online music stores or digital music services like Napster, iTunes is the most popular. This is partially attributed to iTunes' easy-to-use interface and extra features like movie trailers, music videos, and the newest addition, podcasts. The other reason (and perhaps the main reason) for iTunes' wide acceptance is Apple's monopolizing yet devilishly attractive little gadget, the iPod. Here's a syllogism for you. iPod only works with iTunes. Many people have iPods; therefore many people have iTunes. Sure you can buy songs through other venues, but eventually you have to go through iTunes to put the songs on your iPod. So why not use iTunes to buy songs in the first place? But people who opt for other brands of digital music players (usually at a lower price) have to shop for tunes somewhere else — the issue of incompatibility among digital music players and online music stores that feed them can be tiresome.

Even more aggravating is the digital music stores' stingy previews. Just as people can't judge a book by its cover, they can't judge a song by its 30-second sample, either. While the reason they don't use one-minute previews eludes the consumers, the restrictions on the number of computers and CDs onto which they can copy purchased songs further frustrate them. We live in an age where viruses and worms don't just invade breathing beings but also attack the 21st century necessity, the computer. Reformatting and even switching computers now happens frequently. You either lose a couple hundred dollars worth of songs, or you rip them to your new machine from the backup CDs you made. A downside to this alternative is that unless you buy albums, you'll have to manually type in the song information. Imagine typing hundreds of song and artist names. Again, our inconvenience is their profit. Now record companies are not completely free from fault, either. Illegal downloading is attractive to people not because it's easy, but because some songs are just not worth the price of an entire album, especially when albums are laden with filler songs. Moreover, there are catchy tunes that sound good during the first 10

spins but grow increasingly vexing with every radio repeat. This type of song is the song that's likely to have a higher price tag next year. It is understandable that violence and sex sell, but if companies can spend less money on booty shaking and car crashing, and more money on putting out quality artists with quality music, maybe people would buy music like they used to, willingly. Many people download music legally not because they think the song is worth the 99 cents, but because they don't want to violate the law. Instilling fear is a temporary solution to illegal music downloading. Until the record companies decide to release songs and albums that the population deems worthy of their hard-earned greens, people will continue to circumvent the laws. The only consolation is that boycotting is easy (if you have enough will power). Unlike gasoline's price, which is tied to so many other things that avoiding the ramifications of a skyrocketing oil price is utterly impossible, we CAN live without digital music files (or we can sustain on what we've already stocked up). If they raise the price next year, being the law-abiding prude that I am, I will stick to my radio and books. In the long run, it's probably better for my soul, anyway.

And they are talking about raising the price? It seems like they want to encourage more musical altruism.

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FILM REVIEW ★★1/2

A Cheerfully Grim Experience

By Bill Andrews

STAFF WRITER

The Brothers Grimm

Directed by Terry Gilliam

Written by Ehren Kruger

Starring Matt Damon, Heath Ledger

Rated PG-13

Once more I must fall back on that lovely word to describe a movie most succinctly: weird. But unlike “Charlie and the Chocolate Factory,” where I last used this description, “The Brothers Grimm” is slightly less accessibly weird. That is, it just might be too weird for some of you. But it’s the truth, and you should think long and hard if you really want to see “The Brothers Grimm.” Do random, seconds-long fairy tale references excite you? Does humor mixed in with the heat and fire of drama get you going? Do totally unexpected plot twists do it for you? If so, then I recommend this movie to you. If not, well, I believe “Herbie: Fully Loaded” is still playing.

Not too surprisingly, the movie follows the adventures of the brothers Grimm, those fairy tale authors we thought we knew so well. Will (Matt Damon) is the charismatic front man of the duo, who go around French-occupied Germany at the end of the 18th century ridding villages of evil that their buddies are cooking up. Jacob (Heath Ledger) is the more artistic, poetic brother, who is collecting all of the tales he takes part in and hears, in a handsome book that destined for greatness. But their adventures take a turn for the worse when the French

government summons them to investigate what appears to be genuine witchcraft evilness. Humor, adventure, and crazy violence ensue.

Now, to be fair I must warn you that what I’m about to tell, though not revealing any of the plot, will be giving something of the movie away that I was genuinely surprised at. At times, it’s a pretty horrific movie. If you were thinking, as did I, that “The Brothers Grimm” was this year’s “Pirates of the Caribbean” you’re only half right: yes, they’re both fun movies where adventure reigns supreme, but no, it’s not family friendly. At all. Whether bloody knives, gruesome deaths, gory decapitations, or exploding pets, there’s something for everyone who likes violence.

Indeed, the film never seems to take itself too seriously, which is just as well when you have witches and wolfmen flying around. It’s a funny film, and even in the midst of the horror and drama and suspense, there might be some joke or gag thrown in; the best part is it’s still funny. Neither Damon nor Ledger are strangers when it comes to comedy, and the rest of the no-name cast knows how to turn a phrase (or give an amusing look, or shake of the hands) as well.

Ledger gives an especially powerful performance as the beleaguered always set-upon younger brother; I couldn’t recognize in him the cocky soldier or the bad boy high schooler I knew him best as. Damon’s part probably wasn’t as big a stretch for him, of course, but he pulls it off well, and it does my heart good to see him called Will once again.

And the fairy tales! Ooh, baby, they got some good references in. From the obvious Hans and



MIRAMAX FILMS

Will Grimm (Matt Damon) is always picking up chicks.

Greta leaving bread crumbs in the woods to the merest allusion of a “goblin whose name we once had to guess.” It was a bit like seeing “George Lucas in Love,” (or even “Shakespeare in Love”) but with fairy tales; plus, you know, more blood. And, as always when fairy tales are involved, there lie the hints of morals and life lessons throughout the movie, but fortunately it’s pretty subtle and not crucial to the plot.

But in the end, how was it? Well, I like adventure, I like humor, I like weird things, and I

don’t mind violence, so I thought it was pretty great. A tweak here or there would have earned it four stars from me, but as it is it’s still not bad. After all, in a summer season when it seems like everything is either a sequel or a remake, it’s refreshing to see a movie that’s completely original (well, except for the fairy tales). Can we take this as an indication of Hollywood to come, of thoughtful original movies in the future? While it would let me live Happily Ever After, I’m afraid that’s probably just one more fairy tale.

A Different Kind of Theater Review

By Bill Andrews

STAFF WRITER

So, you think you have what it takes to do what countless others before you couldn’t? To go above and beyond, to soar where others have merely fallen? I harbored such dreams myself once, but fate and circumstances collaborated to bring about my defeat, along with my own ignorance. If you will not turn back, brave soul, I will do what I can to help you on your journey — no, your sacred quest. And perhaps, you will bring glory and fame upon our school, and be the first to keep up to date with the world of cinema.

But to do so will require not only strength of heart against nagging homework and exams, nor only physical endurance traveling through snow and other foul weather. Here, then, are some local movie theaters, where you may begin and further your quest; I regret I can offer no more help than this.

The nearest theater to campus is the Kendall Square Cinema, at One Kendall Square, Cambridge. The address, simple though it may seem, is not helpful in the least. This was one of the last theaters I ever found, and even now I can’t tell you exactly how to get there; the best I can

do is somewhere near Polcari’s, Bertucci’s, and the Coop. And is it even worth the Herculean effort of finding it? For many casual movie-goers the answer is no, as the Kendall cinema is what we call an “art” movie theater. So while odds are you haven’t heard of more than one of its showing movies, you’ll always know where to go if a movie is only “playing in select theaters.” Great for foreign films, including anime, documentaries, and indie flicks. Admission is \$9.25, and for matinee shows \$6.75.

Moving forward into the mainstream, we arrive next at the Harvard Square Loews at 10 Church Street in Cambridge. It’s really only a slight move to the more mainstream, though, as they still show more documentaries and “arty” films than you might be used to. But this theater has the added benefit of being much easier to get to: take the T to Harvard, find the Coop, find the next street up with the big church on the corner, (that would be Church Street) and you’re there. Also, you’ll be in Harvard Square, so dinner and a movie is easy to pull off; keep in mind, though, it only has five screens, so if you get claustrophobia easily you might want to keep looking. And lastly, every Saturday at midnight they have live performances of the Rocky Horror Picture Show, and I heartily rec-

ommend you to go at least once. Admission is \$9.25, and for matinee shows \$6.50.

Now we get into the big leagues. The AMC Fenway 13, at 401 Park Drive Ste. 7 in Boston, is more of what we had back home. All the movies you’ve seen ads for on TV and radio and buses will all be here for you. It’s also rather easy to get to: take the T to Fenway on the green line, and follow the crowds; unless there’s a Sox game, odds are they’re headed for the theater. It’s a particularly popular theater among West Campus people, as I understand, since they’re practically across the Charles from it, and just have to take the BU bridge. Also nice is a Pizzeria Uno in what I always consider a tiny Times Square near the theater. Admission is \$9.50, and for matinee shows \$7.50, and they even have a student discount too, \$7.50.

We come now to the great one, the Boston Common Loews Theater, at 175 Tremont St in Boston. This is the real big time; this is where I’ve chosen to spend opening nights for movies of the “Star Wars,” “Harry Potter,” “Lord of the Rings,” “Batman,” and “Hitchhiker’s Guide” varieties, and each in absolutely huge theaters. The easiest of them all to get to, take the T to Boylston, and there you are. I usually take it to Park and just walk down Tremont St, admiring

the Boston skyline and the Commons on the way. This is a theater so impressive (it is three stories after all) that when I first took my girlfriend there when she was a freshman, she fell into quiet awe; when she described the theater to her family they did likewise. Of course, she is from Wisconsin, so perhaps it’s not saying that much. But it’s definitely a fun place to watch movies, even if there are no regular (cheap) restaurants nearby. On a clear night it’s also a great walk back to campus, through the government district and over the Longfellow bridge. Admission is \$10.25 on weekends, \$9.25 otherwise, matinees are \$7.25, and they have a student discount Monday through Thursday of \$8.50.

And of course, one cannot have a discussion of movies @MIT without mentioning LSC. The Lecture Series Committee is another of our 4,000 student groups, and they show second run movies every weekend, usually in 26-100. It’s a convenient way to see a movie you just couldn’t get to when it came out, or to see movies for \$3, which is becoming increasingly rare.

I only hope you find this knowledge helpful on your quest. Had I but known in my youth what I know now ... ah, but that’s another tale, for another section of *The Tech*. Godspeed, young warrior, Godspeed.

ON THE SCREEN

— BY THE TECH ARTS STAFF —

★★★★: Excellent

★★★: Good

★★: Average

★: Poor

★★1/2 40-Year Old Virgin, The

Andy Stitzer (Steve Carell) is the consummate dork who collects action figures, bikes to work, and stays far away from women. Without any friends, there’s no one to tell him what he’s missing. The generally artificial scenes and outrageously unbelievable characters are not noticed much because the movie makes you laugh so hard that you can barely put more popcorn in your mouth. (Yong-yi Zhu)

★1/2 Aristocrats, The

This film features Hollywood notables delivering and analyzing what co-creator Penn Jillette touts as “the dirtiest joke you will ever hear.” And with the rabid incest, bestiality, child rape, and bodily fluids (and solids), hopefully it is. The joke — too vulgar to repeat in any form here — isn’t even funny. (Kathy Lin)

★★ Broken Flowers

Bill Murray is Don Johnston, a modern-day Don Juan who one day discovers an unsigned letter in a pink envelope — one of his relation-

ships 20 years ago apparently yielded a son. He embarks on a cross-country journey to visit four former girlfriends and hopefully find the anonymous mother. The lack of a convincing plot, and more importantly, a point, means that those two hours of your life are better spent elsewhere. (Kelley Rivoire)

★★★ Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Willy Wonka invites five children to his factory by hiding golden tickets in random chocolate bars. You have naughty kids getting their just desserts, a good kid rewarded with a happy ending, and lots and lots of chocolate. Talk about a win-win situation. (Bill Andrews)

★★1/2 Fantastic Four

The special effects are amazing; the action scenes are exciting and not encumbered with too much dialogue and — for once — the good guys went to MIT. The character development, while shallow and predictable, is better than your average comic book flick. (Bill Andrews)

★★★★ March of the Penguins

Capturing a range of stunning images from the lighthearted, with penguins coasting along the ice on their bellies, to the majestic, with a seemingly infinite line of penguins marching to

the sea and jagged walls of ice, this documentary surely pulls at the heartstrings of all who watch it. (Kelley Rivoire)

★★★1/2 Murderball

Murderball, the original name of quadriplegic rugby, was invented in Canada in 1979. The movie excels most when it relates the lives of its players to ours through familiar activities. Moreover, it gracefully portrays the impact of the sport on the journey quadriplegics travel, from coping with their condition to parenthood. (Kapil Amarnath)

★★ Must Love Dogs

John Cusack and Diane Lane, both recently divorced, predictably fall in love after a bumpy initial relationship, the result of meddling on the internet by pushy friends and family. My showing was attended primarily by groups of old ladies and slightly awkward, lonely-looking men, and unless you fall into one of those groups, I’d suggest skipping this one. (Kathy Lin)

★★1/2 Red Eye

It’s 2 a.m., your flight’s been delayed three times already, and you have a fear of flying to boot. And on top of that, the cute guy you were flirting with before boarding turns out to be a sadistic

freak working for terrorists. If you can relate, then perhaps Red Eye is the right movie for you. Even though it is a thriller, and not the traditional horror we’ve come to know and love from director Wes Craven, there are still many scares and suspenseful moments. (Bill Andrews)

★★★ War of the Worlds

The master of grandeur, Steven Spielberg, has produced yet another science-fiction masterpiece — “War of the Worlds” is the edge-of-your-seat summer thriller that we’ve been awaiting. When aliens suddenly start coming out of the ground and killing everything in sight, we see the struggle to survive as well as the terror humanity must face. (Yong-yi Zhu)

★★1/2 Wedding Crashers

Owen Wilson and Vince Vaughn never seem to do their real jobs as divorce mediators; instead they crash weddings on a regular basis (going to weddings uninvited, drinking free booze, and meeting, then sleeping with girls there). If you’re looking for a lighthearted summer comedy with some stupid humor and superfluous sex, then “Wedding Crashers” may be the perfect movie for you. (Yong-yi Zhu)

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12:00—**Epsilon Theta**—Come ogle our large orange duck mascot and toss frisbees around with us at the rush kickoff in Killian Court! We might even have tasty snacks...

13:00

13:30—**Epsilon Theta**—Van run to ET. Look for our big silver van at the turnaround near McCormick, close to the MIT Chapel.

14:00

14:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream: Need some dessert after the Greek Griller? Stop by ATO for a fine Vermont Delicacy.

14:00—**Beta Theta Pi**—Extreme Stoop Action: Kick it on the staple Beta stoop for 4 square, chalk, talk, and rawk.

14:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Open House: Get your first look at the house responsible for the famous Harvard-Yale football game weather balloon hack.

14:00—**Delta Upsilon**—Poker Tournament: Poker tournament with prizes at DU

14:00—**Lambda Chi Alpha**—Red Bones BBQ: Red Bones will cater its authentic down-home-style Southern BBQ. Red Bones is known by many to be the best Southern BBQ restaurant in Boston.

14:00—**Phi Beta Epsilon**—House Tours: Come by and see where we live, work, and have too much fun.

14:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Afternoon Rush Kickoff: What better way to start off your rush than with food and Frisbees, water fights and football. Oh, and a bouncy castle.

14:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Ice Cream and Smoothies Open House: Come check out our house and enjoy some ice cream and smoothies. Did we mention the free ice cream and smoothies?

14:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Medieval Festival: Party like it's 999! This all-day festival is jam-packed with crazy games, music, prizes, and tons of semi-authentic medieval food. So grab your Viking horns and the nearest maiden, then head to Pilam for the wildest feast of the millennium.

14:00—**Sigma Chi**—Sigma Chi Open House: Visit the Sigma Chi house for a night of Mike's Pastries, Poker, Prizes, In House Music and Good Times In the Bar.

14:00—**Sigma Nu**—Steak Barbecue

14:00—**Sigma Nu**—Pool Tournament & iPod giveaway

14:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Music, Food and Gaming — Why go anywhere else?

14:00—**Theta Chi**—Roofing It: Start Rush right by coming to Theta Chi and meeting the Brothers. Join us on the roof

for a killer view of Boston and the best hospitality.

14:00—**Theta Xi**—Roofdeck Virgin Daiquiris and Smoothies: Enjoy smoothies and virgin daiquiris while enjoying our roofdeck view of the Boston skyline and Fenway Park. Come on by.

14:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—ZBTahiti Luau: Come for the mocktails and all-you-can-eat kebobs, stay for the steak and lobster afterwards!

14:06—**Delta Psi (No. 6 Club)**—Games in the field: Join us for a variety of games in the field between Simmons and MacGregor.

14:06—**Delta Psi (No. 6 Club)**—No. 6 Open House: Stop by our house for tours and to hang out with our members and other freshmen.

14:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Swimming Pool of Ooblek!!! What do you do with 2222 lbs of non-Newtonian fun? Swimming pool of ooblek!

14:30—**WILG**—Smoothies: Fresh fruit, yogurt juice, perfect summertime drink

14:30—**Chi Phi**—ChiPhiapalooza: Take a ride in our stretch Hummer (picking up at the Greek Griller on Killian Courtyard) to Chi Phi's 19th century mansion where we will be rocking out to one of Boston's finest cover bands.

14:30—**Chi Phi**—In addition, the brothers of Chi Phi will be giving tours of their home, the historic John F. Andrews Mansion, all night long.

14:30—**Kappa Sigma**—2:30 p.m. BBQ Pig Roast Luau: Come listen to a live band, play sports, hang out, and eat our pig! We'll be out there chillin all day and all night.

14:30—**Theta Delta Chi**—Krispy and Kremey - Donuts and professional massages

14:31—**pika**—It's the first practice of the season for the pika Ultimate team! Come join us in Briggs Field after the midway for a couple of games of Ultimate. We'll be dressed in red. And don't worry if you think you can't play — you're probably better than... umm... some of us.

15:00

15:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Xtan's Film Festival: Sit back, relax, and enjoy some of the newest, trendiest, and weirdest video clips the web has to offer.

15:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Junkyard Wars

15:00—**Nu Delta**—Arcade Night @ Nu Delta: Come Kick off Rush at Nu Delta with our Fabulous Arcade Night! We'll have 16-player interlinked Halo 2 over 4 big screen TVs, with Pool, Ping-Pong, Poker, and much more, so show us what you got!

15:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Skullhouse Gladiators: Meet your classmates by beating them with a giant Q-Tip.

15:00—**Zeta Psi**—Car Bash Vandalism: Come by to add your own special touches to

the car that will be destroyed at 8 p.m. at our 16th annual Car Bash.

15:30—**Epsilon Theta**—Time our vans! We make several daily trips to campus every day during term; hop on and come over to dinner, and see for yourself how easy getting to ET can be! Look for our big silver van by the turnaround near McCormick and the MIT Chapel.

16:00

16:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—House Tours: Phi Sig is located in historic Kenmore Square. Come get your first good view of our astonishing city from Phi Sig's roofdeck.

16:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Fun with Chemistry and Nanotechnology! Have fun with the tEp material scientists! Banana scent, nanoparticles, and more!

16:30—**Theta Delta Chi**—Meet all the brothers of TDC — Chillin, gaming, and jamming.

16:32—**pika**—Start the school year with new clothes! Come to pika and tie-dye some of your stuff with funky colors and patterns. Remember to bring things to dye! Anything from socks to sheets will work! Then stay for dinner. 69 Chestnut St., call (617) 492-6983 for a ride.

17:00

17:00—**Delta Upsilon**—Lobster Dinner on Roofdeck: Freshly steamed lobster on the roofdeck with music and drinks.

17:00—**Sigma Nu**—Official House Tour and Ice Cream Novelties

17:15—**Epsilon Theta**—Van run, van run! One more vanrun from campus to ET, meet at the turnaround near McCormick and the MIT Chapel!

17:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Science Smorgasbord! PickleVU meter, Very Large Capacitor Array, Liquid Nitrogen, the fun goes on and on!

17:30—**Theta Delta Chi**—Porkin all afternoon: Roast Pig and other fine eateries

17:30—**Theta Xi**—The Boston Grillah: Eat some wicked good barbecue while meeting the brothers on our Boston roofdeck under the historic Citgo sign. We will be grilling steak, chicken, hamburgers, and hotdogs, plus vegetarian options.

18:00

18:00—**Epsilon Theta**—Thanksgiving Dinner. Yes, we know it's not November yet. We're just exceptionally grateful, that's all. That, and we reeeeeeally like cranberry sauce. There will be viable vegetarian options, too.

18:00—**WILG**—Barbecue on the Patio with ADP: Come meet the fraternity next door and hang out on our giant patio.

18:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—BBQ on the Patio with WILG: Chef

Bob-Mac barbecues to order on our spacious shared patio. 18:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—BBQ Turn On!

18:00—**Delta Tau Delta**—Roof Deck BBQ: Come meet the brothers as we barbecue on our roof-deck overlooking the Charles.

18:00—**Phi Beta Epsilon**—Poker Night: Hold'em, Stud, Omaha; play for fun or pride, just come by and ante up.

18:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—Dinner & Dessert: A hearty dinner from Boston staple VinnyT's for those of you who have only been catching snacks all day, followed by catered pastries from Boston's own pastry shops. If you're already full, dessert will be running all night. 18:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—6:00 pm Rush Kickoff Dinner Catered by Famous Dave's BBQ: Meet the Skulls with a dinner catered by Famous Dave's BBQ.

18:00—**Sigma Nu**—Steak and Lobster Dinner

18:00—**Theta Chi**—Italian Dinner: Meet Chef Michelangelo Raimondi, Because there's more to life than baked ziti.

18:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Dinner: Steak and Lobster: It wouldn't be Rush without Filet Mignon and Lobster!

18:00—**Zeta Psi**—Red Bones vs. Blue Ribbon: Compare two of the best ribs in Boston and check out our house before Car Bash.

18:06—**Delta Psi (No. 6 Club)**—Pizza and Dessert at No. 6

18:15—**pika**—Diiniiinnnnneeeeeer! We like food. We like you. Come to pika for dinner! Vegetarians and vegans are more than welcome. 69 Chestnut St., call (617) 492-6983 for a ride. 18:30—**Chi Phi**—Dinner at the Chi Phi mansion. Everyone's invited!

19:00

19:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Dinner With the Brothers: Come see what delicious food ATO's Chef John has cooked up. Kick back, relax, have a meal, play some pool, and get to know what ATO is all about.

19:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Surf & Turf Grill: This dinner will be so good that it cannot be described by a word that exists; therefore, I am forced to make one up on the spot. Scrumrulescent!!

19:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Mechanical Bull: 300 lbs. of machinery between the legs of a scantily clad woman—what more could you ask for? How bout an iPod Shuffle for the longest ride? Yeeeehaw!!!

19:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Kebab Dinner: Enjoy as many grilled kabobs (meat and vegetarian) as you can eat, cooked right before your eyes. Stick around and enjoy your first night at Phi Deltas.

19:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Unplugged Jam Night & Open House Social Hour: Chill with friends and meet cool new people before hitting the parties tonight. Also, bring your own instrument or use one of ours for a night of unplugged acoustic jams!

19:00—**pika**—After dinner,

pika will give you a makeover! Change the color of your hair to some shocking hue and impress your friends. 69 Chestnut St., call (617) 492-6983 for a ride.

19:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Sashimi and Barbecue with the Faculty! East meets West? Come meet some of the MIT faculty over Sashimi and Barbecue, prepared by the master chefs at tEp!

19:30—**Epsilon Theta**—REVOLUTIONARY PARTY! Enjoy such revolutionary pastimes as "Pin the Nose on the Stalin" and "Extreme Top Spinning." We'll also be performing dramatic readings from the Communist Manifesto, and awarding prizes for the best Mao impersonator.

19:30—**Theta Delta Chi**—Dancing Spanish — Learning Salsa and Merengue

19:30—**Theta Xi**—Live Blues & Rock Band: Stop by Theta Xi for a night of live music, pool, and cards. Try your best at Texas Hold'Em or try your luck at our blackjack table while listening to one of Boston's best blues trios: the Chris Fitz Band.

19:30—**Epsilon Theta**—Bored? Hop on our van to ET, where something is always happening! Meet at the turnaround near the MIT Chapel and McCormick.

20:00

20:00—**WILG**—Krispy Kremer Study Break: How can you resist?

20:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Junkyard Awards Ceremony

20:00—**Kappa Sigma**—Video Games and Movies: Come watch videos and play the latest Xbox and Play Station II games. Food will be provided! 20:00—**Phi Beta Epsilon**—8:00 pm Cheesecake Dessert: Free food is great. Free Cheesecake is even better.

20:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Nationally Acclaimed Comedian Robert Kelly: Enjoy the comedy of Robert Kelly, a comedian who has been featured on Comedy Central and VH1.

20:00—**Sigma Nu**—Rock/Cover Band at the Chapter House

20:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Casino Night: Casino games, prizes, and more! You could win an iPod or XBOX!

20:00—**Zeta Psi**—16th Annual Car Bash: Got those pre-class jitters? Take out your back-to-school frustrations the best way we know how, by destroying a car with a sledge hammer. Stress relief never felt so good.

20:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Liquid Nitrogen Ice Cream!

21:00

21:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Live Stand-up Comedy: Be sure to stick around for coffee and desserts after the show.

21:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Klezmer Music & Blintzes!

21:00—**Beta Theta Pi**—Live Rock Concert at Beta Annex: Beta is also a rock club. So come to our show if you enjoy a little good loud music. Acts from the past include RCA recording artists Damone and 2005 Warped Tour's Animal Suit Driveby.

Saturday,
September 3, 2005

21:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Decked out — Party on our roof and decks.
21:00—**Theta Chi**—Blacklight Party w/ Sushi! When it's time to rock, make sure you have the essentials: A loud band, a fog machine, blacklights and sushi.
21:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Wuumph (TM) Bag! Get launched feet first into the air via our brilliantly engineered pneumatic catapult system!

22:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Beach Party: Get ready to get down. Come check out ATO's Beach Party, MIT's hottest party of the fall, featuring a spacious roofdeck, a view of the Boston skyline, and DJ Nupprin of NYC spinning the latest in hip-hop, R&B, and reggaeton.
22:00—**Zeta Psi**—House Tours and Ice Cream: Come over to see our house and enjoy ice cream sundaes.
22:06—**Delta Psi (No. 6 Club)**—Club Six Party: Party No. 6 Style...
22:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Dancing with Kadafi — Lazor Light Show! See the famous tEp Laser Light Show! Hundreds of milliwatts of coherent goodness!

Sunday,
September 4, 2005

00:00—**Sigma Nu**—Midnight Football in front of the house
00:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Rooftop Hot Tub and Koyaanisqatsi
00:30—**Theta Xi**—Make-Your-Own Sundaes

08:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Green Eggs and Ham (not really) BREAKFAST

09:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Breakfast
09:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Break Fest
09:00—**Nu Delta**—Paintball Trip: Come shoot up your friends with Nu Delta at the best location in New England, complete with seven fields and its very own life-size Ghost Town.
09:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Breakfast: Start the day off right with a healthy breakfast. Then come to Pilam, and chow down on some awesome omelettes, piled-high pancakes, and decadent donuts!
09:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Breakfast @ Skullhouse: Hot Breakfast, One of the few you will get at MIT.
09:00—**Sigma Nu**—Pancake Breakfast
09:00—**Theta Chi**—Paintball

10:00—**Chi Phi**—Canoeing: Escape from city-life and join the Brothers of Chi Phi for a day of canoeing at Lake Cochituate.
10:00—**Delta Upsilon**—Crane's Beach Trip: A trip to nearby

Crane's beach with boating and grilling.
10:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Breakfast: Start off your day right with a delicious breakfast served to order.
10:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Paintball: Hone your hunting skills by tracking down and blasting other MIT students! Don't miss out on one of the most exciting events ever to grace fraternity rush.
10:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Last Chance BEACH TRIP — Winter's too damn cold.
10:06—**Delta Psi (No. 6 Club)**—Breakfast at No. 6: Grab a quick breakfast before joining us on our trip to the beach.
10:30—**Sigma Nu**—Duck Tour followed by Lunch at Dick's Last Resort.

11:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Paintball: Don't forget to wear 'paintable' clothes. A few pairs of paint-resistant clothes will be available if needed.
11:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Civil War Paintball
11:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Beach Getaway: Join us for some fun, food, games, and sun!
11:00—**Sigma Chi**—Beach Sports and Battle Canoeing: Enjoy more of the summer with some Battle Canoeing and other Timeless Beach Sports
11:00—**Theta Xi**—Dim Sum: We're heading to Chinatown for a delicious meal.
11:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Dim Sum Brunch: Discover some of the best Chinese food this side of the river! We'll take you into the heart of Chinatown for some awesome all-you-can-eat Dim Sum to start the day.
11:00—**Zeta Psi**—Zete Paintball Trip: Get off campus, meet new people, and shoot them. Trust us, it's worth the trip.
11:06—**Delta Psi (No. 6 Club)**—No. 6 trip to the beach: Join us on our trip to Manchester Singing Beach — bring your bathing suit.
11:30—**WILG**—Brunch at Shalimar — Never had Indian food before? Here's your chance to eat at the best Indian restaurant in Central Square.
11:30—**Theta Delta Chi**—Wake up late? BBQ, Billiards, and Chilling @ TDC.

12:00—**Lambda Chi Alpha**—Paintball: Play Paintball at Upton's 14 acres of outdoor wooded terrain.
12:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Water sports. Getting out on the water is part of being in New England. Come sail, tube, or jet ski for a different Sunday afternoon. Lunch will be provided.
12:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—Beach and BBQ: Massachusetts has some great beaches, and we're headed out to one of them. Come chill with us and all the things that make beaches great—sports, water, bbq, and girls.
12:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—F1 Boston Kart Racing: Race in the fastest karts in the Boston

area.
12:15—**Epsilon Theta**—Hop into the Big Silver Van at turn-around near McCormick and MIT Chapel!
12:30—**Epsilon Theta**—"Breakfast would like to endorse Lunch as the best candidate for freshmen nutrition." Come snarf down some eggs and waffles with us while discussing devil-ducks and politics.
12:30—**Theta Xi**—Paintball: Vans leave at 12:45. You better bring it.

13:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Hold your fire! Pizza @ Camp Paintball.
13:00—**Beta Theta Pi**—Water Balloon Pirate Sailing: Plunder the high seas of the Charles and defeat...foes...with the Sea Master.
13:00—**Kappa Sigma**—F-1 Racing: Come F-1 Racing with us and grab some lunch!
13:00—**Phi Beta Epsilon**—1:00 pm Live Music & BBQ: The ska band 'Awful Waffle' brings down the house while we BBQ.
13:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Laser tag and Go-Karts: Plus tons of other cool games at the Good Time Emporium
13:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Rock Climbing: Ever wanted to scale a 40-foot wall with your bare hands? We'll teach you how to defy gravity (or at least how to tie a proper knot).
13:00—**Zeta Psi**—Boston Common Trip: Join Zetes as we make a trip into Boston and hang out at the Commons, the oasis of the city.
13:30—**Epsilon Theta**—Big Silver Van run from campus to ET, at turnaround by the MIT Chapel!

14:00—**Epsilon Theta**—CAFÉINE TOUR! Join us as we explore the best local coffee shops and book stores around Coolidge Corner. These places serve decaffeinated delicacies, too...
14:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Beach Trip: 'Suntanned toes ticklin' the sand—cold drink chillin' in my right hand.' Volleyball, girls, and a clambake included.
14:00—**Delta Tau Delta**—Scavenger Hunt through Boston: Get to know Boston the exciting way. Winning teams receive prizes.
14:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Good Time: Enjoy the largest arcade in New England.
14:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Good @ Pool? Ping Pong? Wish you could HALO 2?
14:00—**Fenway House**—Join us for the Fenway Arts and Writing Group's weekly workshop.
14:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Martial Arts at tEp!
14:30—**Chi Phi**—BBQ: Be sure to stop by the Chi Phi house for some barbecue courtesy of the grill-masters of the house.

15:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—BBQ: Stop by for burgers, sausages, hot dogs and more at the ATO Barbecue pit.
15:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Sledding at Wellesley: Get

a head start on the sledding season with the help of a 150 lb. ice block.
15:00—**Sigma Nu**—Grand Prix @ F1 Outdoor Go Kart Racing (18+ only)
15:30—**Epsilon Theta**—ET van run from campus! Come visit Brookline this beautiful afternoon. Van will be waiting at turnaround near McCormick and MIT Chapel.

16:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Violence is not the Way: come home.
16:00—**pika**—Isn't modern art strange? Come to pika and make your own modern art. We'll supply the materials. Afterwards, maybe your piece will find its way to, shall we say, more public spaces. 69 Chestnut St., call (617) 492-6983 for a ride.
16:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Lots of fun with Liquid Nitrogen!

17:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Learn to dance, Impress the Ladies — Learn Salsa/Merengue
17:15—**Epsilon Theta**—The dinner van run! (van stops at turnaround by MIT Chapel). Come have pasta!
17:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Italian Food at tEp!
17:30—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Dinner: Italian Buffet: Find your inner Garfield and pig out on lasagna, chicken parmesan, Italian sausage, garlic bread, and pasta of all kinds.

18:00—**Epsilon Theta**—Pasta buffet dinner. Bow-ties made out of pasta! Our dinner philosophy is: the more (pasta), the merrier.
18:00—**WILG**—Salmon Dinner
18:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Dinner: Bob-Mac's finest.
18:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Dinner: Shwarma
18:00—**Phi Beta Epsilon**—Steak & Lobster Dinner: Prepared by Beverli Collet our five star, French trained, culinary artist.
18:00—**Sigma Chi**—House Dinner by Chef G.R.: Meet our house chef, and enjoy one of his fantastic home cooked meals.
18:00—**Theta Xi**—Gourmet Dinner: Enjoy the finer side of Theta Xi with a gourmet dinner from Chef D.
18:00—**Zeta Psi**—Steak and Lobster: Everyone does it, but we do it better. Don't take our word for it, see for yourself.
18:15—**pika**—Diiiiiiiiinnnnneeeeer! Pikans eat together every night of the semester, like a big happy family. We are vegetarian and vegan friendly. Shirts and shoes not required. 69 Chestnut St., call (617) 492-6983 for a ride.
18:30—**Delta Upsilon**—Steak Dinner: Steak dinner at DU.
18:30—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Chef Gerry's World Famous Fried Chicken: Meet our chef Gerry and his tasty wings.
18:30—**Sigma Nu**—Halo2 Tournament
18:30—**Theta Delta Chi**—Latin Cuisine str8 outta MIA - Churrasco & other fine eats.

19:00—**WILG**—Fondue and Movie Night: mmmm chocolate.
19:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Night Racing at F1 Boston: Race under the lights at F1 Boston, Boston's premier go-cart track.
19:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Boston Bowl
19:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Sunday dinner. Come see what a normal Sunday dinner is like at Phi Delts, no frills attached.
19:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Dessert in the North End: No better place in Boston for Dessert.
19:00—**Theta Chi**—Steak & Lobster Dinner: This is one of Theta Chi's oldest rush traditions for a reason. Come see for yourself.
19:00—**pika**—Come to pika and play some late night games with us, watch a movie, or help us build something. For some strange reason, we always end up building things late at night. 69 Chestnut St., call (617) 492-6983 for a ride.
19:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Canois from Bovas!
19:30—**Chi Phi**—Salsa Dancing: Salsa dancing with the Chi Phi gentlemen and some of the loveliest ladies in town on one of the largest dance floors, on or off campus, right here at Chi Phi.
19:30—**Zeta Beta Tau**—F-1 Go-Kart Racing: Experience the thrill of the fastest go-karting action in Boston. This is not kiddie racing. Driver's license required!
19:30—**Epsilon Theta**—Don't we have a lot of van runs? Big Silver Van makes another trip to the turnaround by the MIT Chapel and McCormick!

20:00—**Beta Theta Pi**—MOVIE ON THE HOUSE! Watch a sweet movie on the front of our sweet house. From a sweet couch. On a sweet sidewalk. With sweet food. And sweet sweetness.
20:00—**Kappa Sigma**—Poker Night: Come win exciting prizes including a DVD player, iPod, chip sets and more! Food will be provided.
20:00—**Lambda Chi Alpha**—Steak and Lobster Dinner: Steak and lobster dinner cooked and served by active members of Lambda Chi Alpha.
20:00—**Nu Delta**—F-1 Boston Racing: Come beat your friends out on the track with Nu Delta at F-1 Racing. You'll go through Time Trials and a Grand Prix final in premier karts that are bigger and faster than any you've ever seen.
20:00—**Phi Beta Epsilon**—Learn to DJ Session: Spin some vinyl, mix some beats, and spend some time with brother DJs.
20:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Fondue. Everything is better with chocolate. Come enjoy fondue fruit, cookies, and whatever else we can think of (or you can bring) in our elegant, early 20th century library.
20:00—**Sigma Chi**—Billiards and more at Boston's Good Times: Round off a great day at Boston's Good Times.

Sunday,
September 4, 2005

20:30—**Pi Lambda Phi**—X-Rated Hypnotist: Don't believe in hypnotism? Then come see a professional X-rated hypnotist, Frank Santos, get your friends (or you!) to do some provocative things. We promise it won't make you sleepy...very sleepy...
20:30—**Sigma Nu**—Wings in Boston

21:00

21:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Game Night: 'Know when to hold 'em, know when to fold 'em' Poker tournament with a grand prize along with other parlor games.
21:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Poker Tournament: Win an iPod, an Xbox, a poker chip set, or a brand new bike! Plus, knock out a brother and get a gift certificate to Best Buy!
21:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Jammit @ TDC — Don't have to dance well, but you have to dance
21:00—**Theta Chi**—Club Theta Chi: Frozen drinks and hilarity: Come in and see comedian (and Theta Chi brother) Evan Wecksell perform in our lounge.
21:00—**Theta Xi**—B.A.S.H. (Bad Ass Scavenger Hunt): A Theta Xi tradition. We will be heading all over Boston in teams to find a number of interesting and unique items.
21:00—**Zeta Psi**—Swing Dance: Enjoy Zeta Psi's more sensitive side after spending the day playing paintball and eating steak. Don't worry, we'll be giving lessons too.
21:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Build your own USB toy! Come and build your own USB powered toys with the tEp engineers! Have it incorporated into the light show tonight!

22:00

22:00—**Epsilon Theta**—Oooh, STARGAZING! Everyone pile in our Big Silver Van as we drive to a lighthouse just outside Boston where you can see more than two stars! We'll provide the blankets and hot cocoa, and a pit-stop at Dunkin' Donuts on the way home.
22:00—**Phi Beta Epsilon**—Roofdeck Party: Take in the Boston skyline as we dance the night away.
22:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—CAGE RAVE: If you were here during CPW and saw or heard about Phi Sig's GRAF-FITI, then look forward to the Cage Rave.
22:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Flavor Ice 5: Voted best Karaoke Party on Beacon Street.
22:00—**Sigma Nu**—Midnight Sigma Nu Scavenger Hunt Around Boston
22:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—IHOP Run: Anytime is a good time for an IHOP run, especially after F-1 racing.
22:06—**Delta Psi (No. 6 Club)**—Masquerade Party: Party in disguise.
22:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—USB Powered Light Show! Incorporate your evil creations of USB

might into the tEp light show!
22:30—**Epsilon Theta**—Spot the shiny silver van this fine evening, at the turnaround by MIT Chapel, and come aboard!

23:00

23:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Boston Late Night Bike Tour: We'll show you Boston from a different perspective! If you don't have a bike we'll loan you one.
23:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Ladies' Night: Feeling left out of rush just because you have too many X chromosomes? Then this event is for you! Drop by Pilam for a night of hot dancing, cold drinks, and cute (freshman) boys!
23:30—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Cartoons: Aqua Teen, Food: meatballs.
23:59—**Theta Chi**—Late late night IHOP: We'll take you to the only place that is still open at this hour. (Time to be determined.)

Monday,
September 5, 2005

00:00

00:00—**Kappa Sigma**—Midnight Buffet: Grab some grub on your way home. Visit Kappa Sigma right between Baker and Burton-Conner.

01:00

01:00—**Theta Xi**—Insomnia Night: Stay up with free Starbucks and get an early taste of college from the real experts—John Belushi and Will Ferrell on our 61" wide-screen TV.

08:00

08:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—More Cereal than Milk in a Cow BREAKFAST

09:00

09:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Breakfast
09:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Brake Fust
09:00—**Nu Delta**—Six Flags New England: Like Thrill Rides? Like Water Rides? Like Kiddie Rides? We've got 'em all with Nu Delta's annual Rush Trip to Six Flags. Join us for a good time.
09:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Soul Food Breakfast: Huge pancakes, home fries, hot cornbread, come grab some breakfast to start your day off right.
09:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Breakfast: Start the day off right with a healthy breakfast. Then come to Pilam, and chow down on some awesome omelettes, piled-high pancakes, and decadent donuts!
09:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Breakfast @ Skullhouse: Hot Breakfast. One of the few you will get at MIT
09:00—**Sigma Nu**—Deep South Breakfast
09:00—**Theta Chi**—Breakfast: Enjoy a delicious meal before you hit the waters. Served fresh.
09:30—**Fenway House**—Canoe trip! Meet at Fenway at 9:30 for a 10 a.m. departure, returning about 5 p.m.. Picnic lunch provided by Fenway. Wear clothes and shoes you don't

mind getting wet.

10:00

10:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Canoe Trip: Come join the brothers of Alpha Tau Omega for a canoe trip on the refreshing Concord river. Don't miss this opportunity to get out of the heat and canoe, water fight, eat, and hang out.
10:00—**Sigma Chi**—Dodgeball On-Campus: Play some elementary school style Dodgeball with MIT's Intramural Dodgeball Champions.
10:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—WaR GaMeZ: paintballin all afternoon.
10:00—**Theta Chi**—Canoe Trip: The wilderness is calling. New England won't explore itself.
10:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Potato Gun Building: Build your own 6-foot potato gun, and practice launching some produce in our basement target range!
10:06—**Delta Psi (No. 6 Club)**—Breakfast at No. 6: Grab a quick breakfast before joining us on our trip to Walden pond.
10:30—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—Paintball: Phi Sig takes to the field again for some huge games of capture the flag.

11:00

11:00—**WILG**—Canoeing: Meet at WILG and we'll head over for canoeing on the Ipswich River
11:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Battle Canoeing on the Ipswich River: Spend the afternoon paddling the scenic Ipswich River.
11:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Canobie Lake Amusement Park: Get on some of NE's premier rollercoasters and thrill rides!
11:00—**Sigma Nu**—Cruise to George's Island with catered Island Clam Bake: Lobster, Steamed Clams, Chowder, and much more.
11:00—**Theta Xi**—BBQ at Theta Xi: Labor Day = Barbecue. Period.
11:00—**Zeta Psi**—Six Flags: Turned down that Florida school for MIT? Come spend the day at New England's best and largest theme park and feel better about your decision.
11:06—**Delta Psi (No. 6 Club)**—11:06 am Walden Pond: Annual traditional venture to Walden Pond - bring your bathing suit.
11:30—**Theta Delta Chi**—On the barbie... if you've ever BBQed — it tastes better here

12:00

12:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Frontier Minigolf
12:00—**Beta Theta Pi**—Apple Picking Extravaganza With Other Fruits Too: Voyage to the vast orchards of Bolton MA to pick their fruits and squander their righteousness.
12:00—**Kappa Sigma**—BBQ and Sports during the day: Come grab a bite to eat, hang out, or play some sports with Kappa Sigma.
12:00—**Lambda Chi Alpha**—Beach Trip: Spend Labor Day at the beach with Lambda Chi Alpha
12:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—George's Island: School is

about to start. Get in one last day of summer at this beautiful Boston island, complete with shoreline, BBQ pits, revolutionary war fort, and scenic ferry ride.
12:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Indoor Rock Climbing: Just like American Gladiators
12:30—**Epsilon Theta**—Soup! Unlike Oliver Twist (or Seinfeld), you get as much soup as you want. If we don't finish off all the chowder, it's just going to go to waste!
12:34—**Epsilon Theta**—There's this nice park across the street that's just *perfect* for picnics. The only thing that could improve the ambience would be some silly masks. Come over early to make your own mask, complete with pipe cleaners and glitter. Don't forget the soup!

13:00

13:00—**Delta Tau Delta**—Lobster Trip to Private Island: Join us as we take a boat to a private island to enjoy various sports and a lot of lobster.
13:00—**Phi Beta Epsilon**—BBQ Lunch: Excellent food, excellent view, excellent company.
13:00—**Theta Xi**—Sports on the Esplanade: We'll be playing football, soccer, and Ultimate along the scenic Charles.
13:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Canoeing on the Charles: Enjoy a relaxing, scenic canoeing trip on the clean part of the Charles River, along with a picnic with 12-foot subs.
13:00—**Zeta Psi**—Sushi Making: Make your own sushi with the campus renowned sushi masters of Zeta Psi.
13:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Corporate Duel! Take 10 slides at random from 222 different Powerpoint presentations, and see Elmo and Wiggles present the result!
13:28—**Epsilon Theta**—We've got a basketball and a croquet set, and we'll make up rules as we go along.
13:30—**Theta Delta Chi**—paintball: catch up with early birds and paint them red

14:00

14:00—**Epsilon Theta**—MOVIE MARATHON! Help us decide which we want to see first: "Finding Nemo," "Akira," "The Incredibles," or maybe even "Wallace & Grommet."
14:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Paintball: If you know how to handle your gun, you'll be sure to splatter your balls all over someone else.
14:00—**Delta Upsilon**—Cape Cod Beach Trip: A trip to a beach house in Cape Cod, with a swimming pool, grilling and boating.
14:00—**Kappa Sigma**—Boston Tour: Don't know Boston very well? Come on a walking tour with the guys of Kappa Sigma and visit Faneuil Hall, the Freedom Trail, Fenway, the Boston Common, Chinatown, and more. Food provided.
14:00—**Phi Beta Epsilon**—Outdoor Paintball: Heart pounding, exhilarating. Cut loose before classes start.
14:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Softball and Picnic on Boston

Common: Come challenge 3-time IM softball champions, and spend your Labor Day in Boston's nicest park!
14:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—House Tours and History @ TDC — or you can game
14:00—**Zeta Psi**—Museum of Science: Did you know that you can get into the Museum of Science for free? Let the brothers of Zeta Psi take you on a tour of the sites worth seeing.

15:00

15:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Boston Tour: See the Sites in the Hub
15:00—**Theta Xi**—Castle Island Beach Trip: We'll be heading to Castle Island to fish, throw a disc, and hang out on the beach. Rides will be leaving from 64 Bay State Rd every hour.

16:00

16:00—**Sigma Nu**—Pool and Darts at the Chapter House
16:00—**Theta Chi**—Rollerblading w/ Rush Girls: You kinda have to pay them back after all their hard work in the Canoes.
16:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Reenactment of WWIV inside our house!
16:30—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Boston Harbor Boat Cruise: Dinner and Music by Varsity Band

17:00

17:00—**Chi Phi**—Chi Phi Luau: What better way to kick off the semester than by joining Chi Phi at our First Annual iLuau at the Mansion. A feast fit for a Hawaiian king! Come to Chi Phi and get lei'd!
17:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Homer's BBQ: Stop by the Kresge Pits for a burger with all the fixins!
17:00—**Sigma Chi**—Bowling and Batting Cages: Come to Boston's Best Bowling Alley.
17:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Football and Frisbee
17:30—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Toy Impact Testing

18:00

18:00—**Epsilon Theta**—Come! Eat! Tonight's dinner features pork chops and vegetarian turn-overs. We'll continue having dinner every night of term at 6 p.m. If you've enjoyed getting to know us over dinner, consider coming to dinner here on a regular basis.
18:00—**WILG**—Beef and Broccoli Dinner
18:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Dinner: More of Bob-Mac's fine cooking.
18:00—**Beta Theta Pi**—Beta Finger painting with Sir Austin Taranta, Esq. Also, Dance Party. Double Also, Birthday's is Joe. joe joe joe joe joe joe joe joe. artrocks. food.
18:00—**Phi Beta Epsilon**—Guys Night Out for Dinner: Enjoy some delightfully tacky ambience with some unrefined guys.
18:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—Steak and Lobster: Dine with style at this gourmet festival of upscale food, prepared by Phi Sig's best.

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18:00—**Sigma Nu**—Dinner at Boston Beer Works
18:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Dinner: Chicken Cordon Bleu: Chicken stuffed with ham and cheese. ‘nuff said.
18:00—**Zeta Psi**—Fondue Dinner: Our weekly fondue night continues with this classy fondue dinner followed by fondue dessert.
18:15—**pika**—Diiiiinnnnneeeeeer! Pikans really like food. Jess B and Victoria will cook an awesome Hawaiian dinner for you to enjoy. We might even dance. Good vegetarian and vegan options guaranteed!
69 Chestnut St., call (617) 492-6983 for a ride.
18:30—**Theta Delta Chi**—Wings and curly fries at everyone’s favorite restaurant.

19:00
19:00—**WILG**—S’mores Desert: Flash back to summer camp!
19:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Infinite Quarters Night @ Good Times Emporium: All the quarters you can use at one of the best arcades in town.
19:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Dinner: Steak and Salmon
19:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Dinner With the Brothers
19:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Dinner: “I want my baby back, baby back, baby back, baby back”... Ribs served at the Deke house—again—Scrumtrulescent!!
19:00—**Nu Delta**—Steak & Lobster Dinner: Delicious Steak. Luscious Lobster. ‘Nuff said, see you at Nu Delta around 7.
19:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—BBQ Ribs. Enjoy authentically delicious BBQ ribs and corn on the cob in our relaxing bricked patio looking out on the Charles River.
19:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Dinner on the Town: Want the true Boston dining experience? You pick the place, dinner’s on us!
19:00—**Theta Chi**—The Steakhouse Trip: Let your belt loose, and dine at one of our favorite Boston Steakhouses.
19:06—**Delta Psi (No. 6 Club)**—International Dinner: Sample cuisines prepared by members from their home countries.
19:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—The Lie Off, a dinner show! See Elmo and Wiggles talk endlessly about any topic! They ‘know’ everything!
19:30—**pika**—Come to pika for a sleepover! After dinner, we’ll have a bonfire and burn marshmallows (is there any other way?). We’ll also read ghost stories. 69 Chestnut St., call (617) 492-6983 for a ride.

20:00
20:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Poker Night: Come play poker with some of the brothers of ATO. Anyone is welcome, including those who are just starting, those who are experienced, and those who have

completely thrown their lives away.
20:00—**Kappa Sigma**—Jillian’s: Come to Jillian’s! Play pool, go bowling, or just hang out and grab a bite to eat.
20:00—**Lambda Chi Alpha**—Big Game Dinner: Cooking some meat of Big Game: Buffalo, Elk, Antelope
20:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Poker Tournament. One night of Texas Hold’em. One iPod. One Xbox. Tons of other prizes. Tons of other people to get to know. Phi Deltas.
20:00—**Sigma Nu**—Pool and Bowling at Jillian’s
20:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Pool at Jillian’s: Shoot some pool in the swanky digs at Jillian’s.
20:00—**Fenway House**—Swing lessons from 8-9 p.m., at Fenway House. Learn the Lindy Hop from a Fenway resident and longtime member of the MIT Lindy Hop Society.
20:30—**pika**—It’s a sleepover at pika. We’ll probably be playing games, or talking, or building a large structure, or something. Come over. 69 Chestnut St., call (617) 492-6983 for a ride.

21:00
21:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Pi Eating Contest
21:00—**Phi Beta Epsilon**—Poker Tournament: It isn’t gambling, it’s a skill, so come earn one of \$500 in prizes for free.
21:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Casino Night: Feeling lucky? Pilam’s Casino Night is as close as you can get to the real thing without being 21 and loaded. Step up to one of our many game tables, featuring poker, roulette, craps, and more, for a chance to win one of many amazing prizes!
21:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Chillin, Gaming, and Movies on the Deck w/ late night pizza
21:00—**Zeta Psi**—Zete Arcade: Feel like relaxing tonight? Stop by and enjoy a variety of video games and other entertainment.
21:06—**Delta Psi (No. 6 Club)**—Game Night: Come hang out and play some games... poker, pool, halo, darts, board games, twister, mafia...
21:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Capture the Glowey thing!

21:30—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Intelligent Dance Music Danceparty
21:30—**pika**—It should be dark by now. Pika has a roof deck, and from the roof deck you can see the stars. Come stargazing at pika, and enjoy the beautiful summer weather while it lasts. 69 Chestnut St., call (617) 492-6983 for a ride.

22:00
22:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Poker Tourney
22:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—College Movie Night: Animal House, Old School, PCU, Sorority Boys, and Van Wilder will be playing on our 5 count ‘em, 5 big screen TVs
22:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Ice Party: The one and only.
22:00—**Sigma Chi**—Stoop Session: Come do nothing on our stoop with us.
22:00—**Theta Chi**—Games of Chance: Casino Night! Great prizes given out hourly. Come by and get lucky.

23:00
23:00—**Theta Xi**—Night Life at Theta Xi: There will be poker, pool, darts, TV on our

big screen, music, and SPEW (Society for the Promotion of Early Weekends) in the bar.
23:00—**pika**—Any respectable sleepover should include a pillow fight. Come to pika for one. There is no better way of getting to know your fellow freshmen than beating them with fluffy objects. We’ll provide the pillows. 69 Chestnut St., call (617) 492-6983 for a ride.
23:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Rock Star Lazor Light Show!
23:59—**Kappa Sigma**—Midnight Buffet: Grab some grub on your way home. Visit Kappa Sigma right between Baker and Burton-Conner.
23:59—**Phi Delta Theta**—IHOP. The day’s not over until you’ve enjoyed a maple syrup-covered short stack at Boston’s finest available late night dining.
23:59—**pika**—Sometime tonight, we’ll drag our sleeping bags and blankets up to the roof deck and sleep soundly under the stars. BYOTB (Bring your own teddy bear). We’ll make breakfast for you in the morning. 69 Chestnut St., call (617) 492-6983 for a ride.

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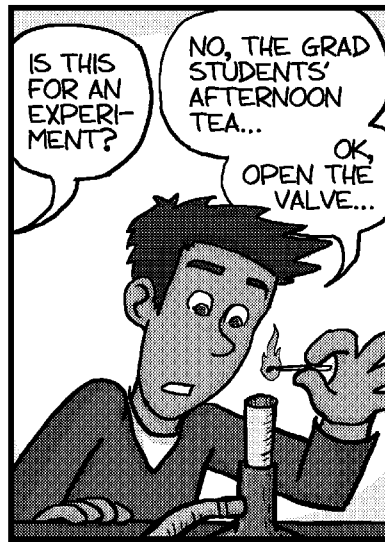
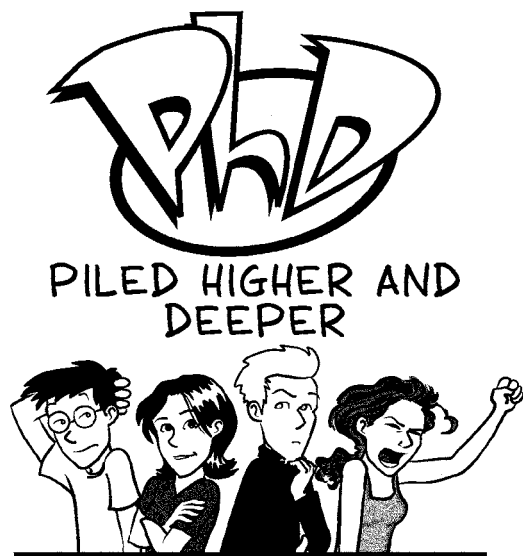
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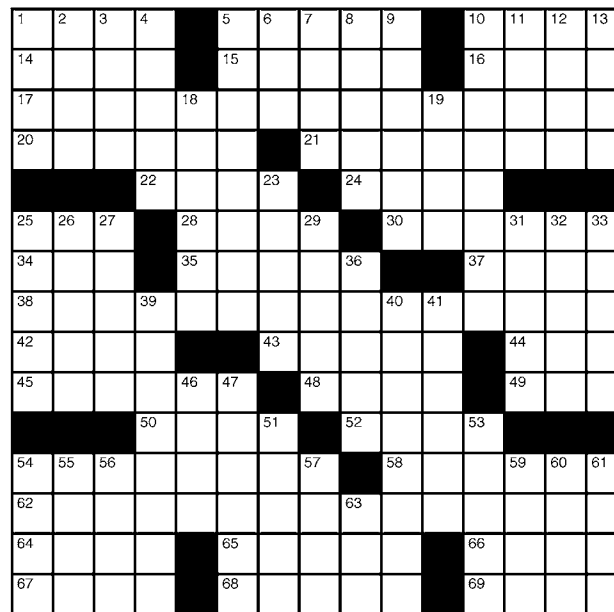
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- 5 Metal coat
- 10 Desert lily
- 14 Norwegian saint
- 15 Restrict
- 16 Played for a sap
- 17 Music, please!
- 20 Small bird
- 21 Highland sheepdogs
- 22 Grayish
- 24 Airline to Israel
- 25 Put down
- 28 Daytime TV choice
- 30 Expressions of scorn
- 34 Galena or mispickel
- 35 Goofed
- 37 Editorial notation
- 38 Music, please!
- 42 Cousin of the NYSE
- 43 Beauty parlor

DOWN

- 1 Expense
- 2 Choir member
- 3 Grange
- 4 Madonna or Lupone role
- 5 Excess
- 6 Lucy of "Charlie's Angels"
- 7 Elec. units
- 8 Church contribution
- 9 Kennedy and Mer-
- 10 Most abstruse
- 11 Morales of "Bad Boys"
- 12 Hackman or Kelly
- 13 Track figures
- 18 Locked lips
- 19 Verve
- 23 Stories
- 25 Nearby
- 26 Odor
- 27 Country on the Red Sea
- 29 Nutty pie

DOWN

- 31 ___ chloride (refrigerant)
- 32 Change charts
- 33 Dance movements
- 36 Removes text
- 39 Cries out suddenly
- 40 Most fuzzy
- 41 Six-out segment
- 46 Merit
- 47 Bessie and Kate
- 51 Shucks!
- 53 Brief stop
- 54 Cover for a crook
- 55 Sacred books of Hinduism
- 56 Stravinsky or Sikorsky
- 57 Pierre's noggin
- 59 Leave at the altar
- 60 In a short while
- 61 Physical start?
- 63 Quilters' gathering



Crossword

Puzzle

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- 1 Hightailed it
- 5 Umpteen
- 10 Seize with force
- 14 Glamour competitor
- 15 Nestling's comment
- 16 Latvian capital
- 17 Ring recurrently
- 18 Harder to find
- 19 Attorney Dershowitz
- 20 Three-dimensional
- 22 Some fishermen
- 24 &
- 26 Emergency paper money
- 29 Distinguished between
- 33 Missing-persons investigator
- 35 Adolescent
- 36 Be under the weather

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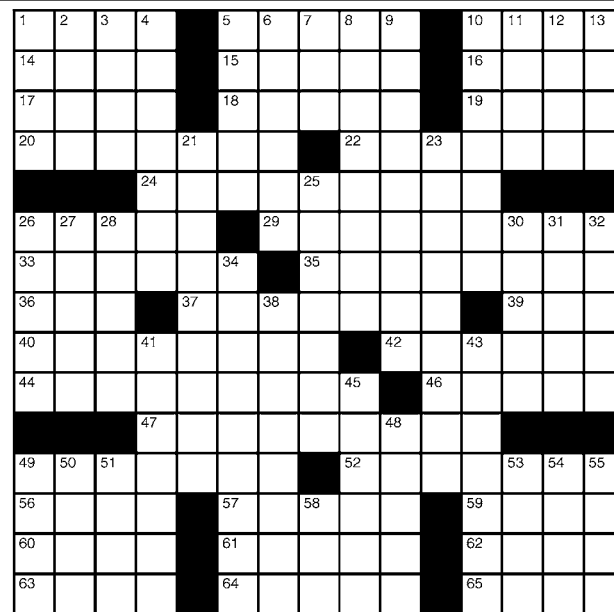
- 37 Get hitched again
- 39 Ginger ___
- 40 Understood
- 42 Ranges
- 44 Practices
- 46 Encourages in crime
- 47 Superlatively doltish
- 49 Sugar cane byproduct
- 52 Perspired
- 56 Exploiter
- 57 Fry briefly
- 59 "___ la Douce"
- 60 Scorch
- 61 Animated Fudd
- 62 Manicurist's concern
- 63 Fabled loser
- 64 Night lights
- 65 Nimble

DOWN

- 2 Drop heavily
- 3 Miss Cinders of comics
- 4 Triangular
- 5 Abandon
- 6 Alpine cottage
- 7 Atmosphere
- 8 1931 Oscar-winning actress
- 9 Butter knives and spatulas
- 10 Pop's pop
- 11 Miff
- 12 Petri dish medium
- 13 Prohibits
- 21 Little Anthony's backup
- 23 No matter what happens
- 25 Took turns
- 26 Single step
- 27 Lawbreaking

DOWN

- 28 Ellison or Bunche
- 30 Slack-jawed
- 31 Find a new tenant for a flat
- 32 Ringlet
- 34 Bridges once more
- 38 Exposed a card
- 41 Author of "The Night Manager"
- 43 Gets
- 45 Lady of the cloth
- 48 Bedside pitchers
- 49 Thicket
- 50 On the bounding main
- 51 Equipment
- 53 Pitfall
- 54 Abu Dhabi leader
- 55 Tyne or Timothy
- 58 Thurman of "The Truth about Cats & Dogs"



Super Bonus
Crossword

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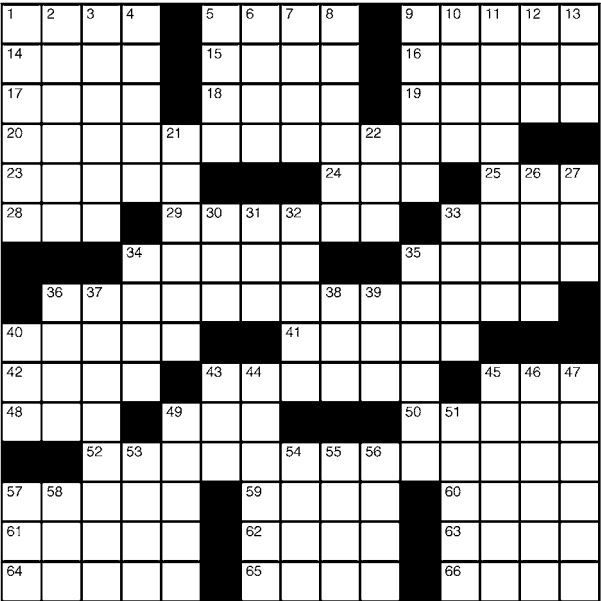
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5 Cease
9 Desert respite
14 Water pitcher
15 Become tiresome
16 Commerce
17 Banned orchard spray
18 Hostile to
19 To the point
20 Stop dogging it
23 Driving maneuver
24 McCartney's title
25 Gametes
28 6th sense
29 Official emissary
33 Trimming sound
34 "Biloxi Blues" playwright
35 Flavor enhancer

- 36 Shift gears, perhaps
40 Meeting site
41 Place for icicles
42 Bridge seat
43 Abrupt
45 Lennon's love
48 Actor Wallach
49 Half a dance?
50 Beach hills
52 Put the pedal to the metal
57 Tracking device
59 Burn soother
60 Josip Broz
61 Bowie's weapon
62 Roadside retreats
63 First place?
64 Fermenting agent
65 Cloth scraps
66 "Atlas Shrugged" author

DOWN

- 1 Alliance
2 Little hooters
3 Damaged by heavy use
4 Faux pas
5 Thwack
6 Camp quarters
7 Solemn promise
8 Catholic father
9 Abalone eater
10 Code name?
11 Cynically mocking
12 Psyche divisions
13 I told you so!
21 Contrasting
22 Whopper
26 Moral weakness
27 Go ___ (freak out)
30 Ostrichlike bird
31 Republican

- letters
32 Fed the kitty
33 Health resorts
34 Hare's tail
35 Shells out cash
36 Ring out
37 Official emblem
38 Came down with
39 Celebration night
40 Two-finger gesture
43 Took seats
44 Below the belt
45 Lake near Utica
46 Make tidy
47 Donny or Marie
49 Insertion indicator
51 Downright
53 Bumpkins
54 Forearm bone
55 Drawn-out
56 Fewer
57 Clouds' milieu
58 Wallet bill



Extra Special
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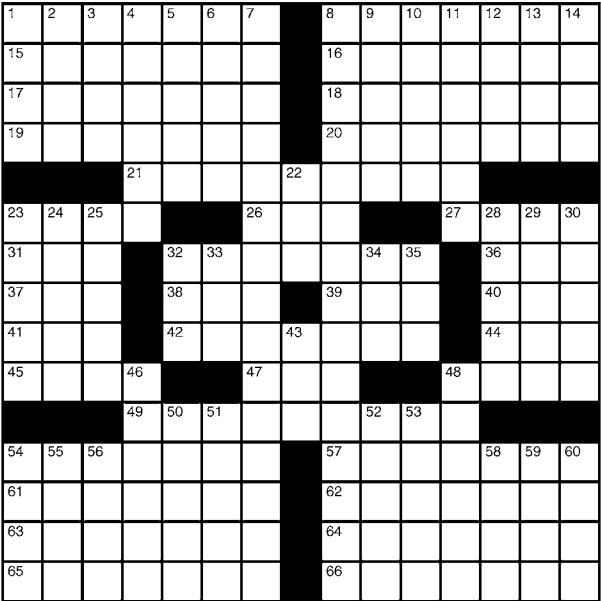
- 1 "Little Rascals" character
8 Literary comparisons
15 Roll of coins
16 Slope
17 Devise, using skill and intelligence
18 Dereliction
19 Shylock's customer
20 Graham and Lorne
21 Cubs to other Cubs
23 ___-Hartley Labor Act
26 Current unit, for short
27 File-folder projections
31 "Ben-___"
32 Ballpark staples
36 Chum
37 Period

- 38 Lemon or orange ending
39 Carnival city, casually
40 Money player
41 Lake maker
42 Most melancholy
44 Down in the dumps
45 Baldwin brother
47 NFL scores
48 Sties
49 Time-honored
54 Tangle
57 Additional shootings
61 Of a certain speech sound
62 Contracting muscle
63 Utter again
64 Plunge into water
65 One who pampers
66 More flavorful

DOWN

- 1 Reliquary
2 Crazy bird?
3 "Candid Camera" man
4 Author of "Little Women"
5 Sierra ___
6 Dashboard of an English car
7 Money machine
8 South China Sea connection
9 Physically inactive
10 "Fibber ___ and Molly"
11 Most sick
12 Property
13 Noun-forming suffix
14 Gels
22 2,500 in letters
23 Bara of the silents

- 24 Of the ear
25 Box in
28 Rome or pippin
29 German noble
30 Reduces speed
32 Possesses
33 Harem room
34 PX patrons
35 Rummy
43 Deg. with teeth?
46 False report
48 Saturn or Mercury
50 Birth-related
51 Packing case
52 Dry fruit
53 Particles
54 Heroic tale
55 Amer.-Eur. alliance
56 Iltarod vehicle
58 Soprano Te Kanawa
59 Being: Lat.
60 End of a spin?



Incredi-
Crossword

Solution, page 16

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- 1 Send to the canvas
5 Atlas contents
9 Windows predecessor
14 Japanese golfer Aoki
15 Empowered
16 Video-game pioneer company
17 Safe
19 Young sheep
20 Annual greeting
22 JFK data
23 Put down
24 Periwinkle
28 Battery brand
30 Signs of healing
33 Paraffin
34 Also
36 Latin lesson word
37 Actress Virna
38 Annual tradition
43 Exhale audibly

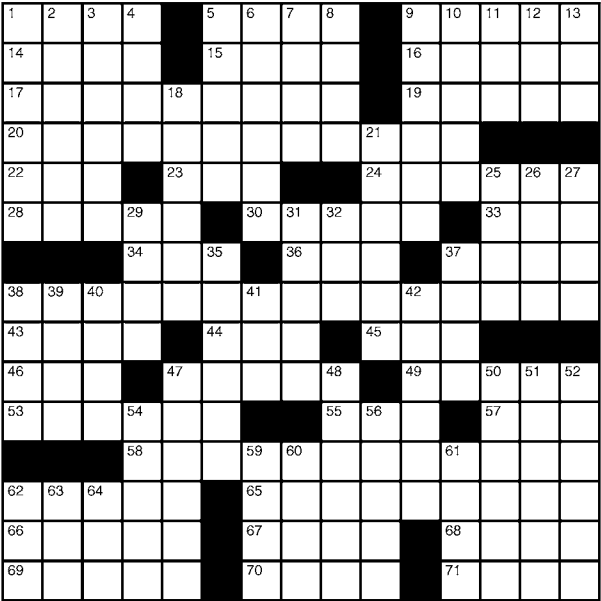
- 44 Dogpatch Daisy
45 ___ Kippur
46 Brace amount
47 Fancy cravat
49 Drop in one's two cents
53 Top flier
55 "___ River"
57 Morse unit
58 Annual song
62 Captivate
65 "Oklahoma!"
66 Black tea
67 Moral weakness
68 "The Good Earth" role
69 Singer Rimes
70 Belgian river
71 Salinger character

DOWN

- 1 Gossiped
2 What we will?

- 3 ___ tunnel syndrome
4 C. Everett ___
5 ___ Carta
6 Monasteries
7 John Deere product
8 Erotic
9 Kuala Lumpur populace
10 Quarterback Bart
11 TVA creation
12 Poetic eyeball
13 Bro's sibling
18 Some stockings
21 Incarnate
25 Small branch
26 Strike by Zorro
27 Way out
29 Liquid asset
31 Bit part
32 Porthos, to Athos
35 Maiden
37 Flaccid

- 38 "The Thin Man" pooch
39 Fuzzy fruit
40 Stravinsky or Sikorsky
41 Def. mil. grp.
42 Persistent complainer
47 Perspicacity
48 Hypnotic state
50 Pastoral poems
51 Start of the workday, often
52 Ageless in poems
54 Composer Copland
56 Keyboard key
59 Frontiersman Crockett
60 Pitcher Tiant
61 ___ gin fizz
62 U.S. Army rank
63 "___ Haw"
64 Rap-sheet letters



Awesome
Crossword

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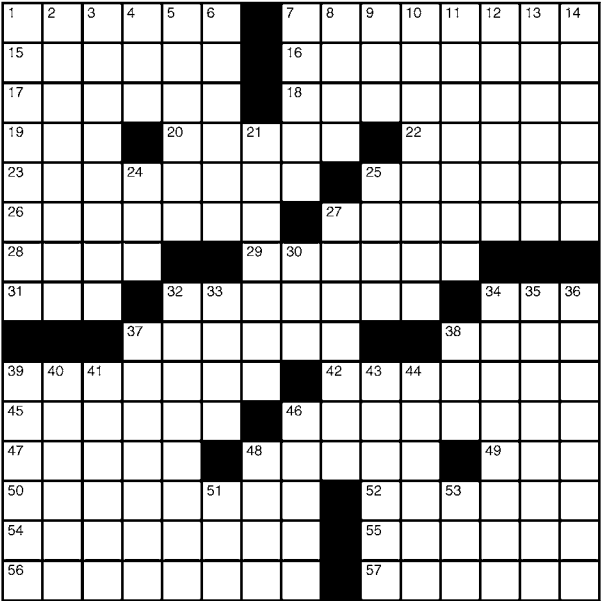
- 1 Strainers
7 Most widely diffused
15 Add nutrients
16 Passenger plane
17 Australian "chick"
18 Peerage
19 Aberdeen topper
20 ___ we all?
22 Piquancies
23 Pronunciation skips
25 Prince of Denmark
26 Balloting reports
27 Shaping devices
28 Algonquian language
29 Ideal place
31 Back-and-forth curve
32 Crusader's

- enemy
34 One-tenth of MDX
37 Employers
38 Tooth display
39 Apennine people
42 Like the most delicate fabric
45 "Taras Bulba" star
46 Representative
47 Borders on
48 Chancy
49 Second-year sheep
50 War materiel
52 Switzerland, generally
54 Feigned behavior
55 Window slat
56 Did practical training
57 Places in the grave

DOWN

- 1 Coin of ancient Rome
2 Nasal applicators
3 Religious recluses
4 7 on a sundial
5 Cream-filled dessert
6 Ariel of Israel
7 Marriage
8 announcement
8 Wild profusion
9 Planet, poetically
10 Orange-red dying compound
11 Perplexing situation
12 Isolate
13 Hunting dog
14 Secret meetings
21 Guarantees
24 Engage in litigation

- 25 Crosby film foil
27 Housings for ships' crews
30 Black goo
32 Ominous
33 Greek god of war
34 Imaginative
35 Eavesdropper
36 Whole numbers
37 Ancient Syrian
38 Musician's booking
39 Shrimp dish
40 Alabama university
41 Having dark hair
43 Acid neutralizer
44 What Sri Lanka was
46 Had a meal
48 Stood up
51 Quaint hotel
53 Place



Richard M. Douglas

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In 1962, Richard M. Douglas came to head MIT's Humanities Department, bringing with him a maverick intellect and a gift for bringing people together.

"He was a great scholar, and at the same time he had a wonderful way of relating with people in science and engineering," said Philip S. Khoury, current dean of the School of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences at MIT. "When I first arrived [at MIT in 1981] he introduced me to people in disciplines I would have never connected with otherwise. And we needed a broker."

Dr. Douglas, a longtime Newton resident, died at North Hill assisted living facility in Needham Monday after a lengthy illness. He was 83.

Dr. Douglas bridged academic gaps as well as social ones, according to Khoury.

"At one time at MIT there was a sense that humanists were not there to get their hands dirty, but more to ensure that these scientists and engineers came out acculturated. There were some back then who discouraged the teaching of how science and technology impacted history. But he said, hogwash. He never became a servant to the sciences, but an equal. He brought a level of autonomy and respect to the department."

Born in Cleveland, Dr. Douglas raised his family in Amherst and Newton, where he served on the School Committee and designed curriculum.

Soon after graduating from Princeton in 1943, he enlisted in the Marines and served as a captain in the Pacific.

Dr. Douglas earned his master's degree and doctorate from Harvard University and had a Fulbright scholarship at The University of Montpellier in France in 1952.

He taught at The College of Wooster, Brown University, and Amherst College before he came to MIT. He retired in 1991.

Dr. Douglas's specialty was medieval and renaissance history, but his interests ran the gamut from the development of religious thought and institutions to aeronautical engineering.

A lover of nature, he made frequent retreats with his three sons to a Maine farmhouse that had no electricity or running water.

"When we moved from Amherst to suburban Newton, he had this fear the kids would be losing contact with nature," said his son David M., of East Hampton, N.Y., remembering how his father kept busy chopping wood, hauling brush, and gardening.

He was also an avid collector of early American tools.

Brains were not Dr. Douglas's only blessing, according to his colleagues. Dramatic good looks added to his finesse.

"He looked like he stepped out of one of F. Scott Fitzgerald's books," said longtime friend and colleague Arthur Kaledin, a professor emeritus of history at MIT.

Khoury recalled that "He had these sparkling eyes that made you wonder what thinking was going on underneath."

Most likely, it was a question, said Kaledin. As an administrator, "[Douglas] was always challenging us to find the best way to teach the past to contemporary students," Kaledin said. "There was this constant questioning of what we were doing. It wasn't just what to teach, but what to leave out. He'd ask, 'If you were going to teach just one history course, how would you teach it. What is most important for students to leave knowing?'"

In addition to his son, David, Dr. Douglas leaves his wife, Mary M. of Needham; two other sons, Samuel W. of Brighton and Andrew S. of Medford, and three stepsons.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Sept. 17 in Kresge Chapel at MIT.

Researchers at Broad Analyze Monkey DNA

By Carey Goldberg
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What sets us apart from apes? At latest count, about four percent of our DNA.

Scientists announced Wednesday that they had completed analysis of the genome of a chimpanzee, humanity's closest genetic relative, and found that the gap between humans and chimps is about 10 times smaller than the one between rats and mice.

"The philosophical goal is that we all want to know what makes us human," said researcher Tarjei S. Mikkelson of the Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard, which helped sequence the chimp genome. "The pragmatic goal is that it will help us understand diseases and conditions that are unique to humans."

The analysis of the chimpanzee genome, performed by an international consortium and published Thursday in a series of papers in the journals *Science* and *Nature*, pinpoints genetic differences that have developed since chimpanzees and humans diverged from their common ancestor about six million years ago — differences that could prove useful in medical research.

For example, mutations in certain genes may help explain why chimpanzees are immune to some viruses that afflict humans. Another mutation makes chimps vulnerable to a blood parasite that cannot infect humans. A human mutation turned up in a gene connected to Alzheimer's disease, important data for researchers working to seek a cure.

The chimp sequence also confirms several important predictions of evolutionary theory, researchers say. For example, regions of the genome that diverged the most between chimps and humans are the same ones that tend to be most different from human to human today, showing that the same evolutionary process is at work today.

"I can't imagine Darwin hoping for stronger confirmation of his ideas than what we see when we compare the human and the chimp genome," said Robert H. Waterston, whose University of Washington team also worked on the project.

Of the 40 million DNA differences found between humans and chimps, less than three million were in areas believed to be functionally important — meaning that a relatively small

number of genetic differences account for the great divide between humans and apes.

But for anyone hoping that the chimp genome would reveal which genes contribute to defining traits of humanity — like standing on two legs or using complex language — more patience will be needed.

Researchers emphasized that, like the human genome, whose sequence has been known for four years, the chimp genome is only a starting point, a catalogue that will take years to mine.

For those who seek what makes humans unique, the latest genetic data offer "a long list, but it's a much shorter list than it used to be," said Eric Lander, director of the Broad Institute. "It's not a very satisfying answer, but it's the start of answering the question in a serious way."

The chimp data turned up some good news for the Y chromosome, the set of genes that makes males male. Some scientists had argued in recent years that mutations have been causing the human Y to deteriorate to the point that it might even disappear in the far-distant future, depriving the world of men.

But work led by David Page, interim director of the Whitehead Institute in Cambridge, found that the human Y has been holding up better than the chimp Y. Contrary to descriptions of the human Y as a spacecraft out of control and soon to crash, Page said, the human-chimp comparison indicates that it is more like "a rocket that looks to be leveling out and has now re-established a very low orbit."

The human genome differs most strikingly from the chimps' in that a class of genes called transcription factors — genes that control other genes and can have dramatic effects on how an organism grows and develops — is changing much faster than in chimps.

It could be that the relatively fast changes in the transcription factors explain how human anatomy came to differ so strikingly from a chimp's, said Mikkelsen, lead author of the main paper on the chimp genome published in *Nature*.

In any case, said Francis S. Collins, director of the National Human Genome Research Institute, "The real question about what it takes to be human, what makes us different, is more than a biological question."

Solutions to Crosswords

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Freshmen Request Housing Lottery Moves

Adjustment Lottery Statistics

Lottery, from Page 1

by Baker House and Burton-Conner. However, East Campus had the third-highest percentage of students requesting housing changes. Senior House had the highest percentage of freshmen, 40 percent, requesting a move, followed by New House with 39 percent, and Bexley Hall with 34 percent.

Both McCormick Hall and Next House have residence-based advising, so freshmen living there were not allowed to request a move.

Lottery results became available at 6:30 p.m. on Aug. 31.

Lottery accounts for gender

The housing adjustment lottery, which was open from Aug. 25 to Aug. 30, allowed students to either choose the building they had been assigned to during the Freshman Summer Lottery, or choose at most four other dormitories they liked.

“The algorithm was processed by gender in order to ensure that no building ended up with more of one gender than it could accommodate,” said Robin Smedick, assistant director of undergraduate, summer, and guest housing. “In order to increase the number of students who are moved, tweaking then occurs to gender requirements if a building can accommodate more males or females,” she said.

In the summer lottery, 70 percent of freshmen received their first choice, 26 percent received their second choice, and the remaining four percent were assigned to their third choice.

Exploring with dorm events

During the last week, upper-classmen in each dormitory held events to help freshmen learn more about their dormitories.

New House Rush Chair Joey Y. Zhou '07 said that New House sponsored smoothies, ultimate frisbee, barbecue, volleyball, and sushi-making events. He was surprised that New House was listed

	Number of students who requested as first preference	Number of students requested as first preference who were placed	Percentage of freshmen housed in each dorm who entered adjustment lottery	Total freshmen initially housed in each dormitory
Baker	31	14	10.9	137
Bexley	4	2	34.3	35
Burton	21	14	15.6	128
Chocolate City	0	0	0	8
East Campus	38	22	24.0	96
French	1	0	0	5
German	3	0	0	7
MacGregor	10	9	18.9	122
McCormick	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	75
New House	10	8	39.1	69
Next	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	134
Random	14	8	18.2	22
Senior	3	3	40	40
Simmons	20	11	12.5	112
Spanish	2	2	25	8
TOTAL	157**	93	15.6**	998‡

SOURCES: HOUSING OFFICE AND DORMITORY COUNCIL. RESIDENCE EXPLORATION CHAIR SCHULYER SENFT-GRUPP '06

*McCormick and Next House have Residence-based advising, which requires freshmen to stay in their assigned dormitories.
**There is a difference in the sum of the number of first preference requests for each dormitory and number of students entering the lottery for each dormitory, which is a discrepancy in the data as received from the Housing Office.
‡Since arriving on campus, two freshmen have left MIT, leaving the current total at 996.

as the dormitory out of which the highest number and third highest percentage of students wished to move, and said that the freshmen may have moved in order to be closer to campus.

East Campus Rush Chair Christopher M. Vogt '06 said that East Campus had a “very high-energy

rush, with a lot of people being very visible.” EC held a spaghetti wrestling event as well as building a water slide and a giant swing. Referring to the high number of freshmen who requested to move into or out of EC, Vogt said that it “does nothing but improve the culture of the dorm ... the flux both ways is

good.”
After the lottery results were in, students spent Wednesday night exploring their new dorms and finding out more about each floor and room.
Yesterday was move-in day for those freshmen who were assigned new rooms or dormitories.

Solution to Incredi-Crossword

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